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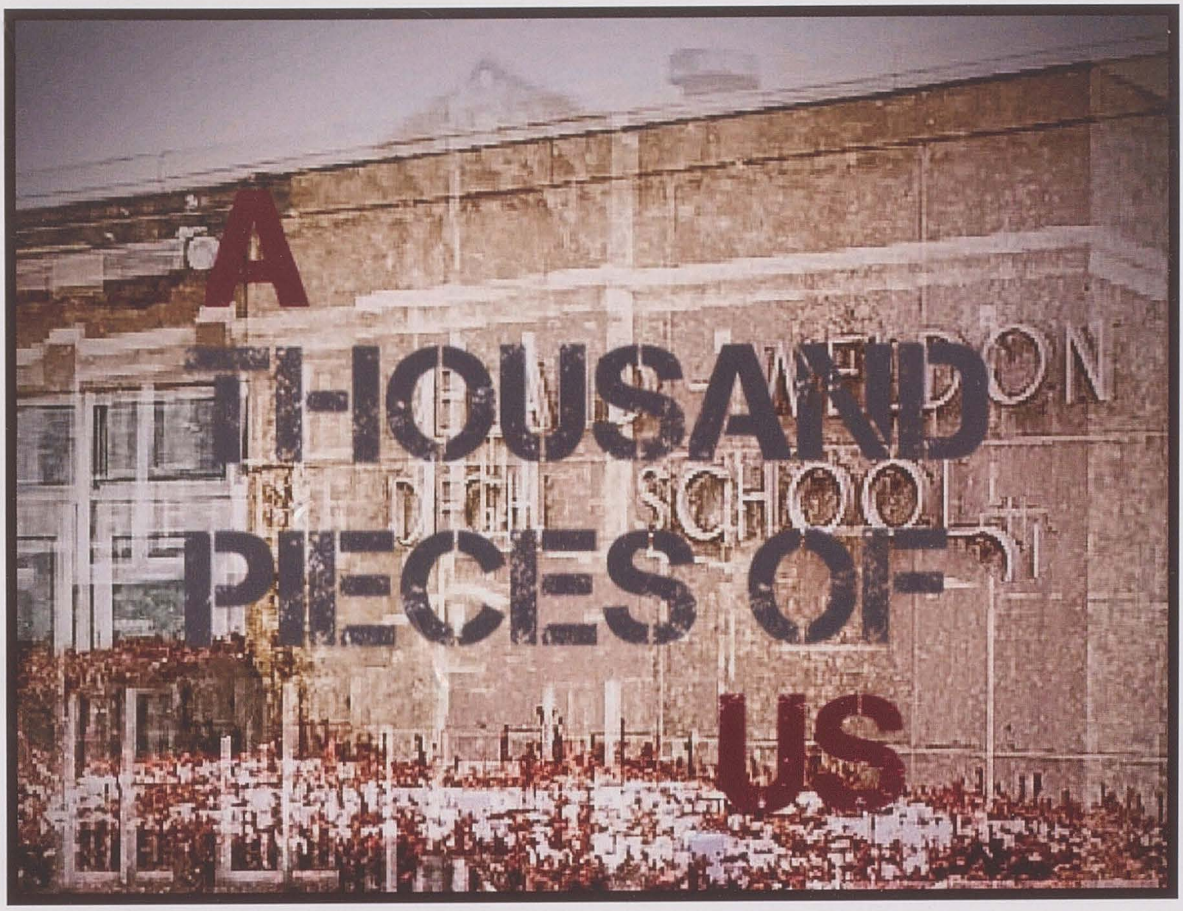

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Mathematics

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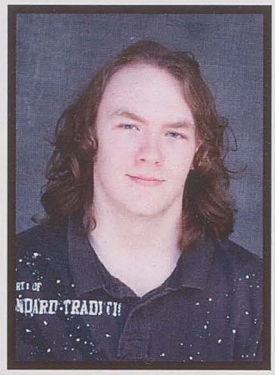

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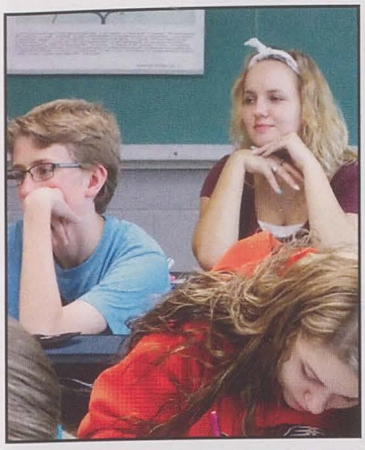
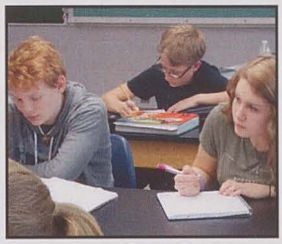
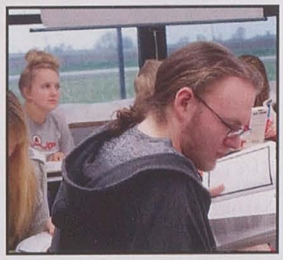
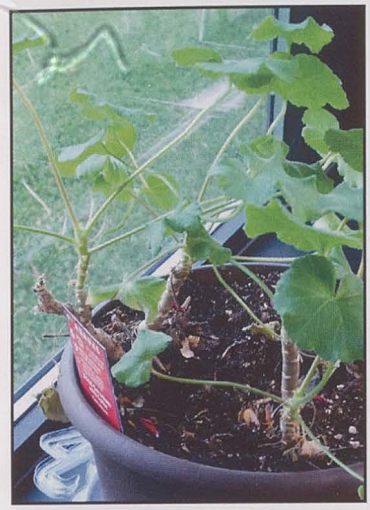
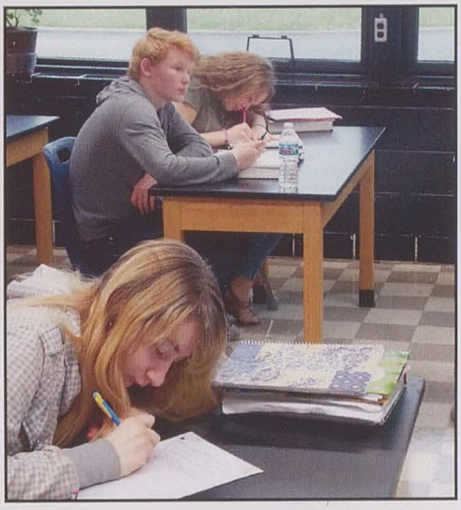
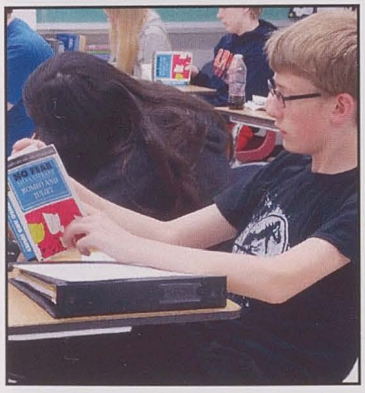
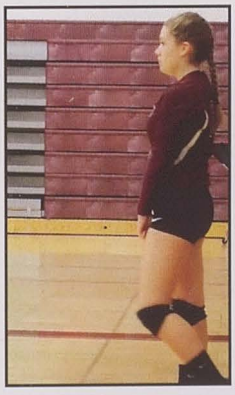
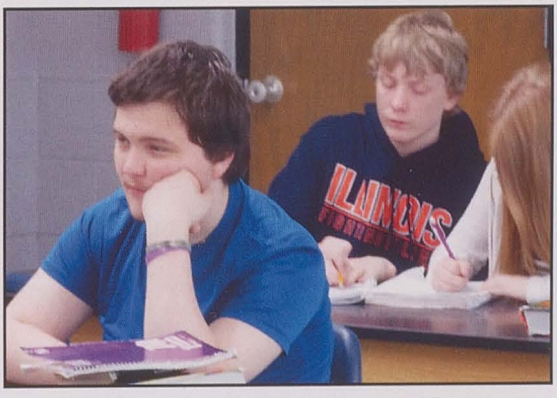
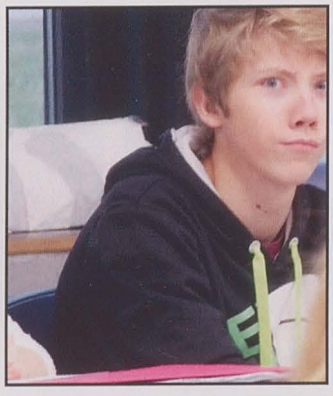
Freshman Moments







FRESHMAN CLASS OFFICERS

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Vice President:	Billy Schmidt
Secretary:	Marissa Allen

CLASS OF 2018

Alexis Gatterer

Mackenzie Lappin

Calvin Larrison

Megan McClure

Callie Reeder

Kelsey Terry

Kaleb Thomas

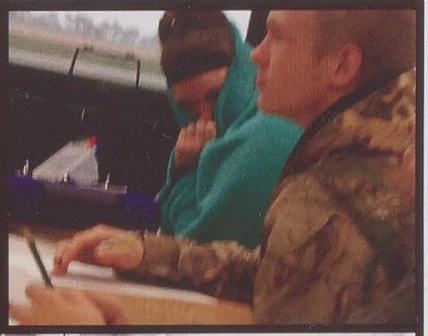
Lauren Trimble

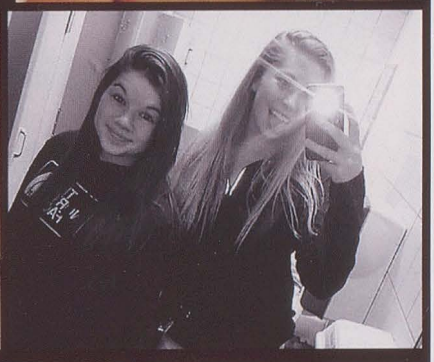
Danielle Ward

Jacob Wingert

Sophomore Moments

" You have brains in your head.
You have feet in your shoes.
You can steer yourself in any direction you choose.
You're on your own, and you know what you know.
And you are the guy who will decide where to go."
-Dr. Suess





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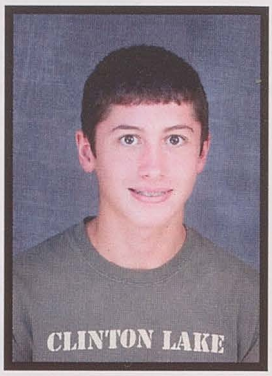
Treasurer:	Kelsey Terry

Class of 2017

Maddison Burke

Tristan Caylor



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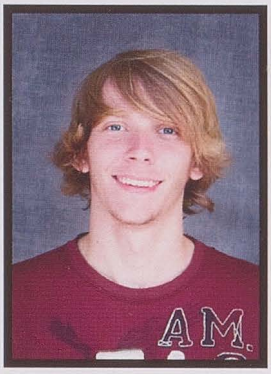

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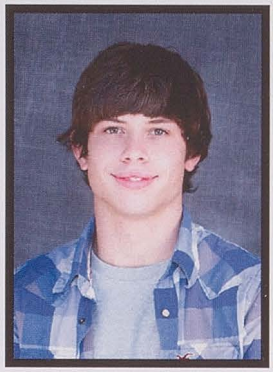

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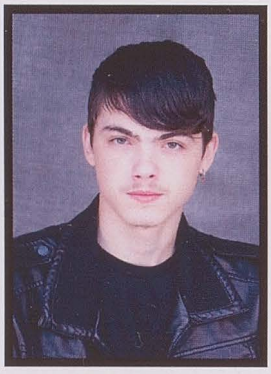


Dan Sinkhorn

Derek Smith

Erika Smith

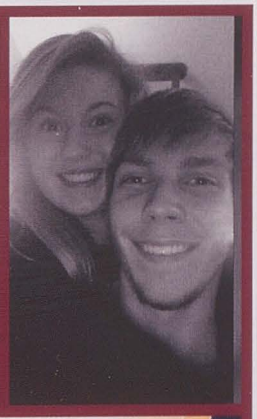
Roberta Spanu

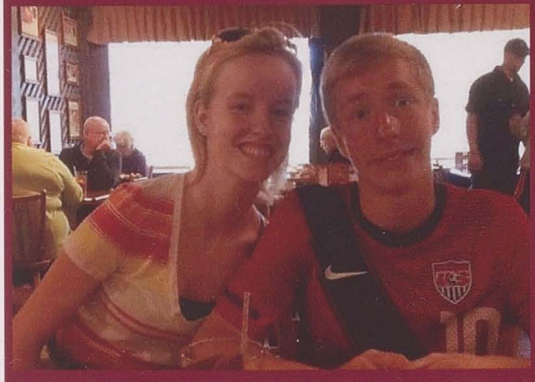
Dakota Stukins

Wes Young

"life begins at the end of your comfort zone."

Junior Moments





Junior Class Officers

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Vice President:	Brandon Lappin
Secretary:	Katie Marsh
Treasurer:	Maddy Burke

Class of 2016

Emily Becker

Emily Boley

Maria Braendeland

Bailey Fink

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Savannah Maxedon

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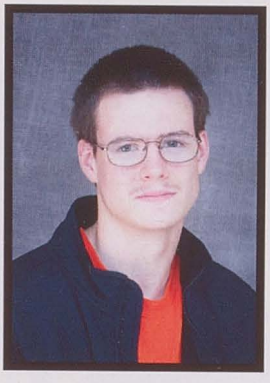
Austin MacEwan



Chris McClure

Holly Reynolds

Jerome Schneider

Michael Scotello

Amanda West

Liberty Wikoff

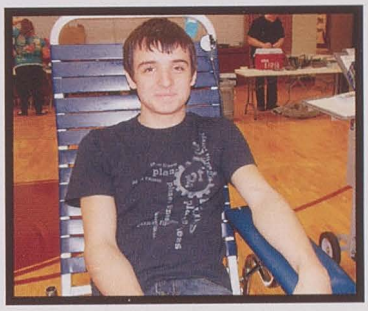
Emily White

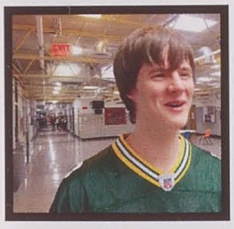
Dalton Woolridge

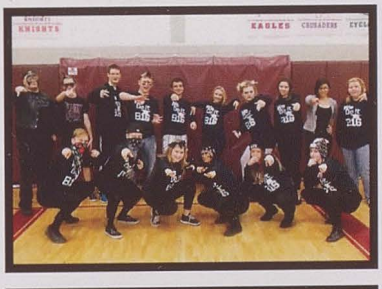
Senior Moments

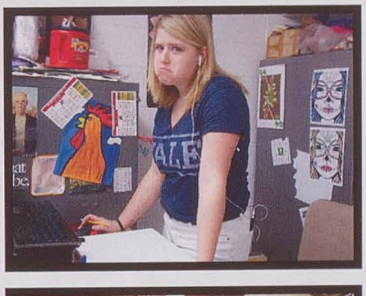
SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS

President:	Sara Hayes
Vice President:	Libby Wikoff
Secretary:	Emily Becker
Treasurer:	Emily Becker





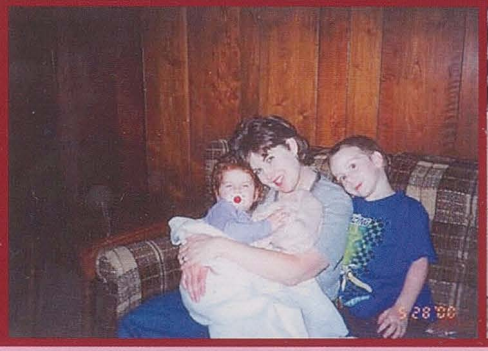




Emily Brooks Becker

"Be the change you wish to see in the world."

-Ghandi

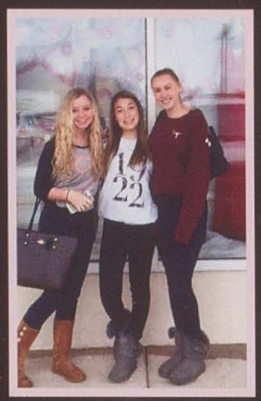


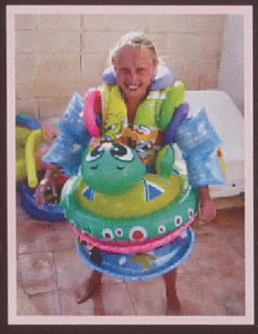
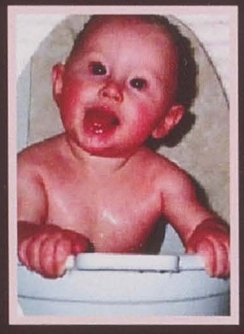
Emily Ann Boley

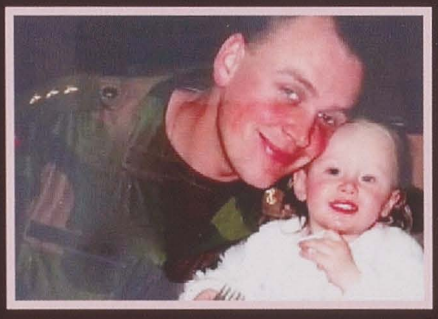
"We didn't realize we were making memories, we just knew we were having fun."

Maria Braendeland

"Sometimes you just have to
let go and see what happens."

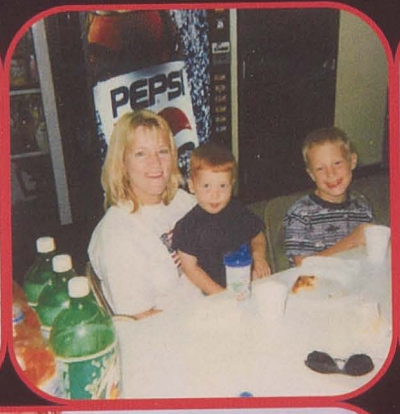


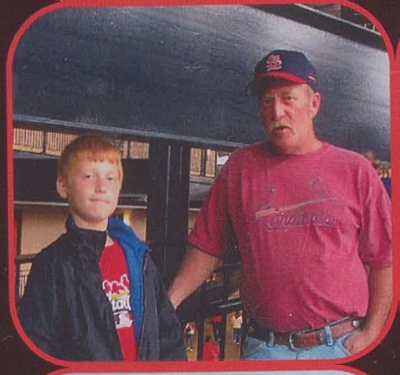



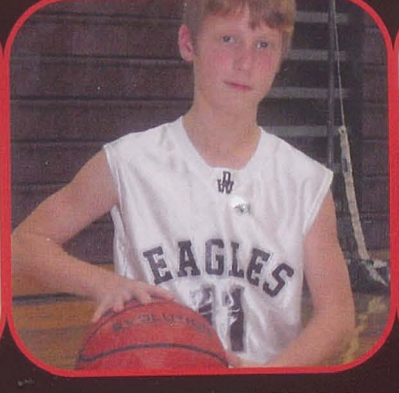


Bailey James Fink

"Hard work beats talent
when talent fails to work hard."



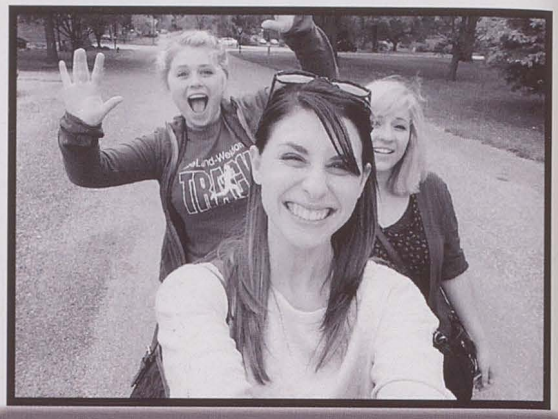


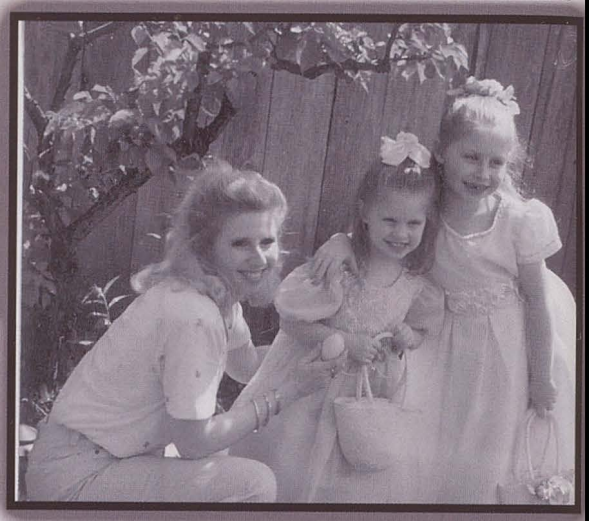


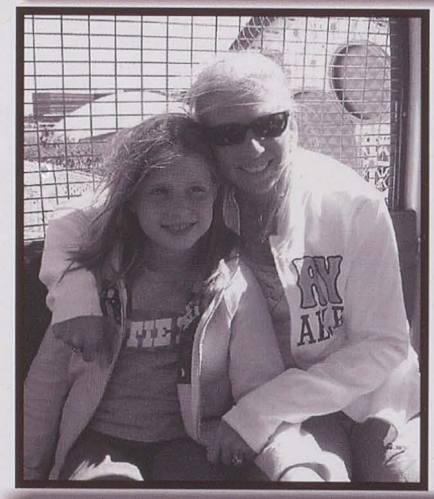
Sara Hope Hayes

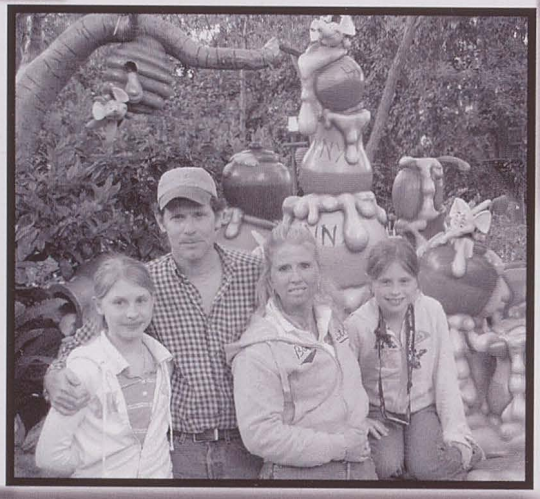
"God gave us
memories that we
might have
June roses in the
December of our life"

- James Barrie

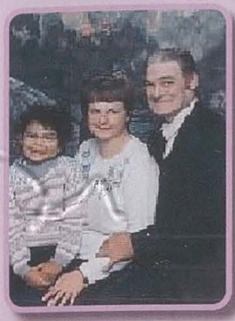


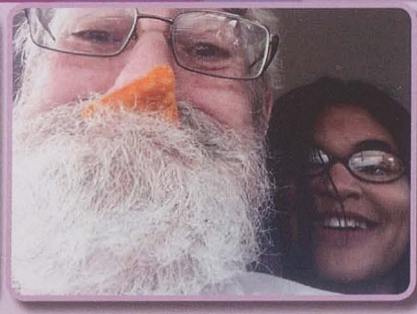


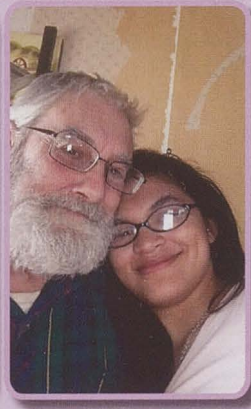


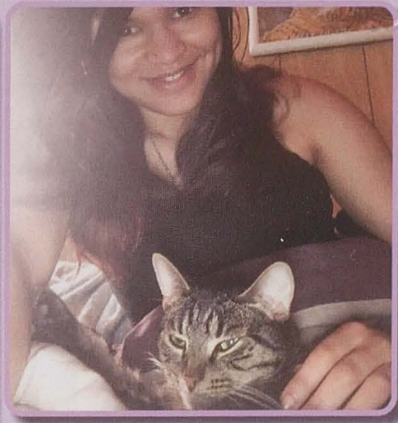


Rosie Marie Kuder





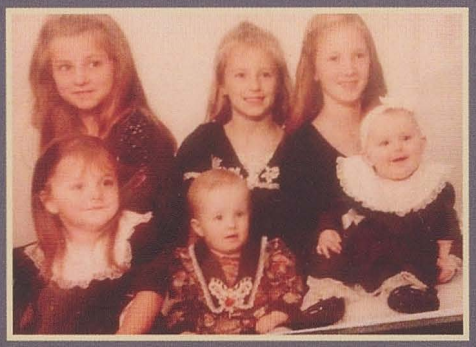


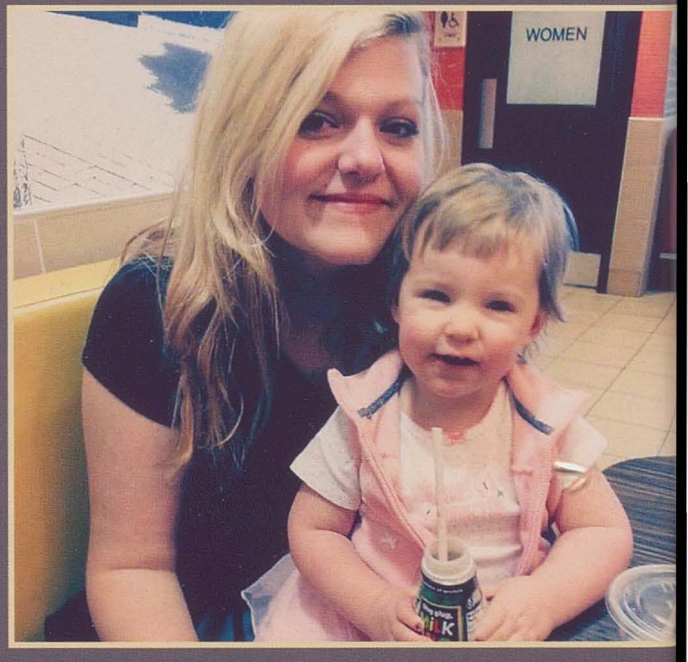


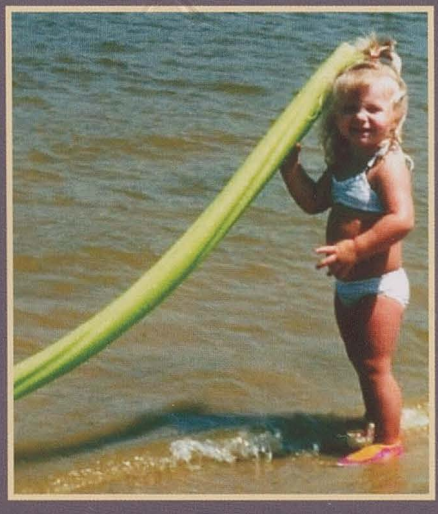
Savannah Maxedon

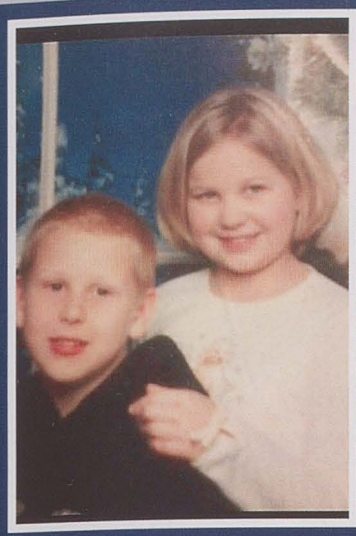
"She is clothed with strength and dignity; and laughs without fear of the future."

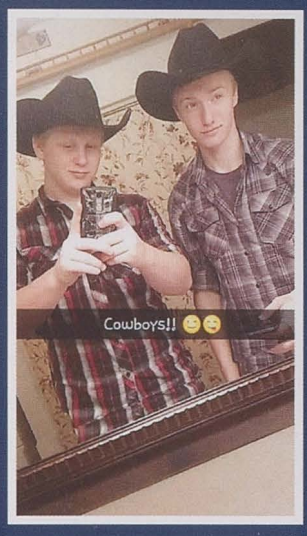
-Proverbs 31:25





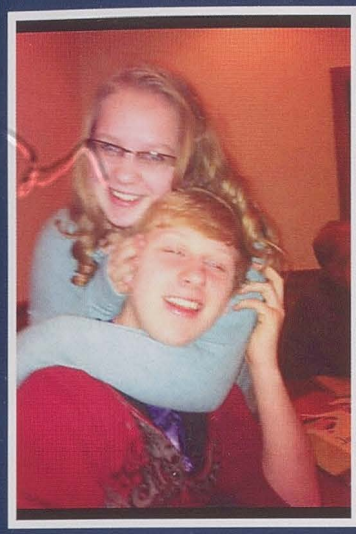


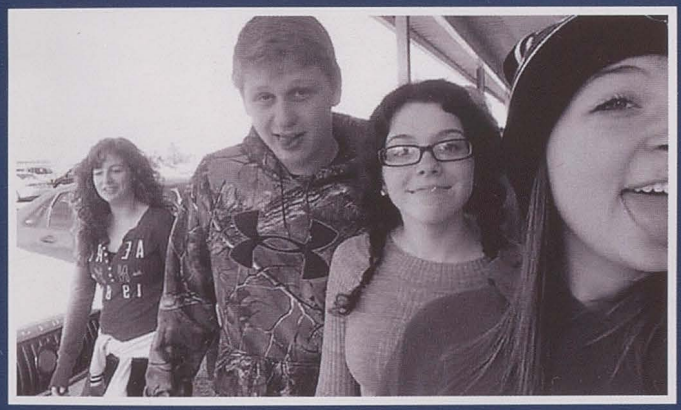


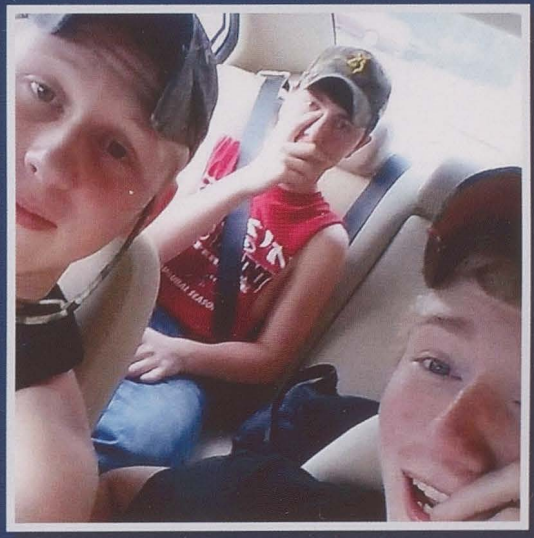


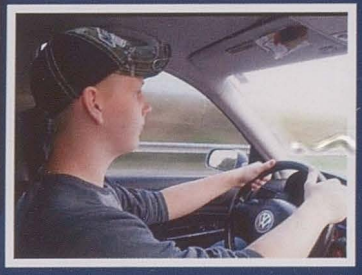
Austin Lee MacEwan

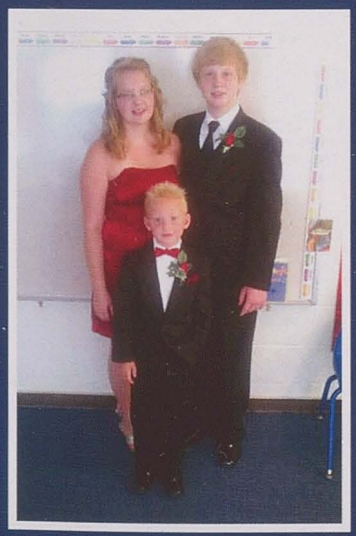
"I don't know much, but what I do know is
fear the Lord and work hard.
When I figure the rest out
I'll let ya know."
- *The Cowboy Way*

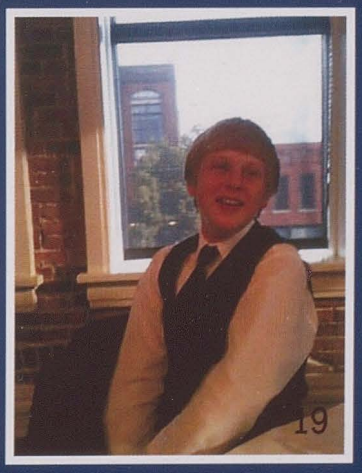












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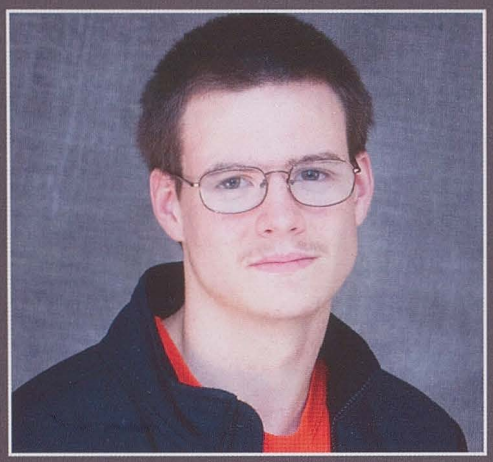
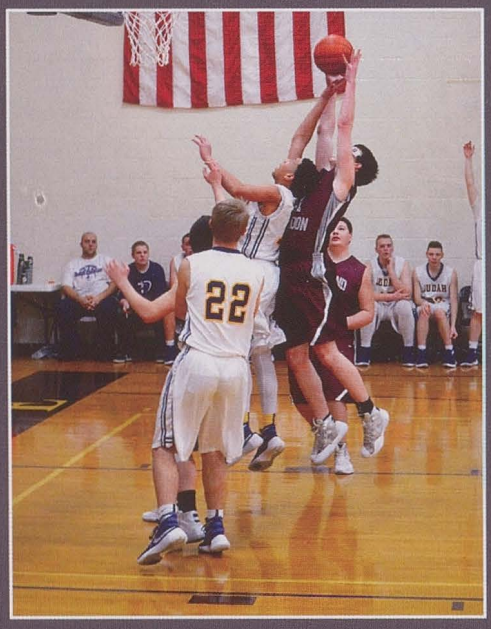
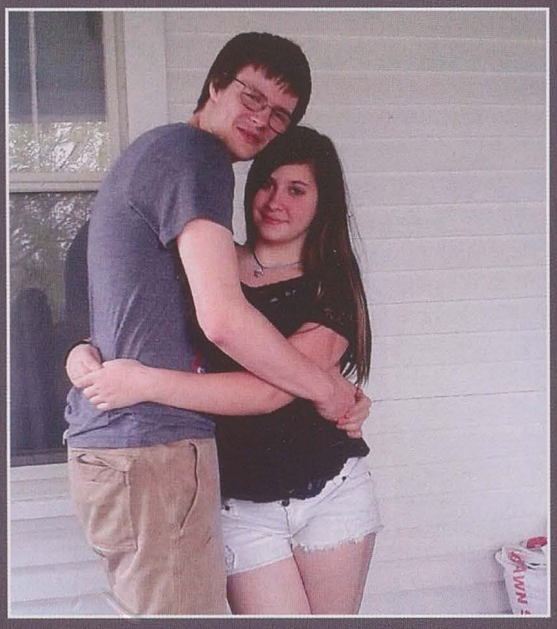
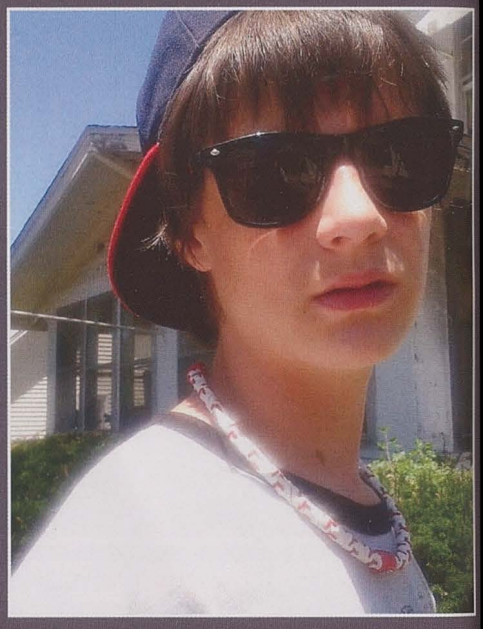
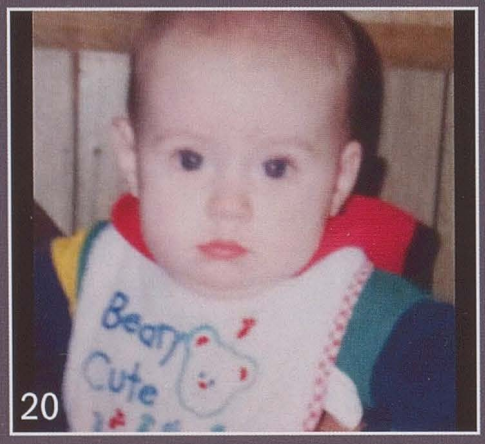


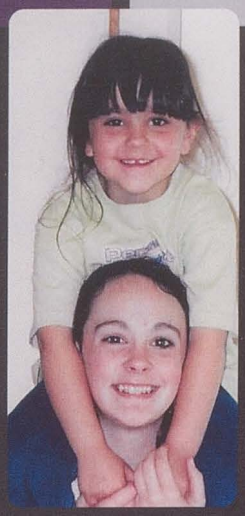


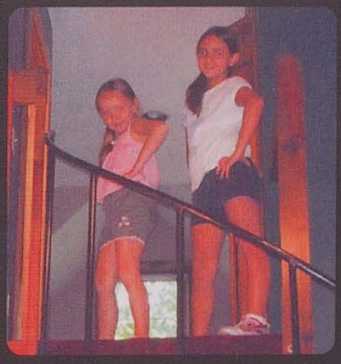


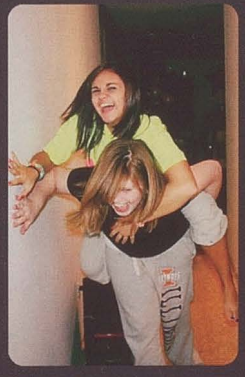


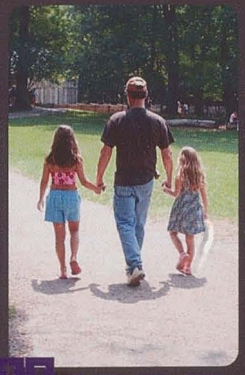
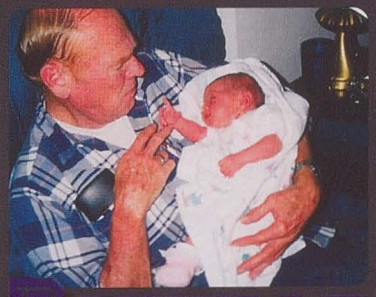


"**Winners** are not people who never fail, but people who **never quit**."





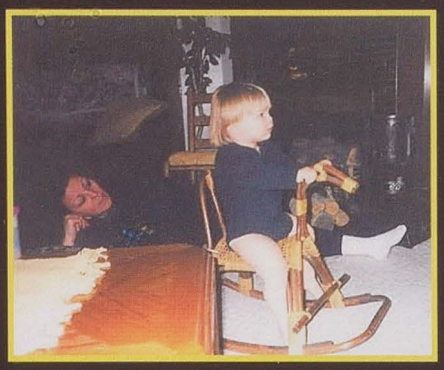


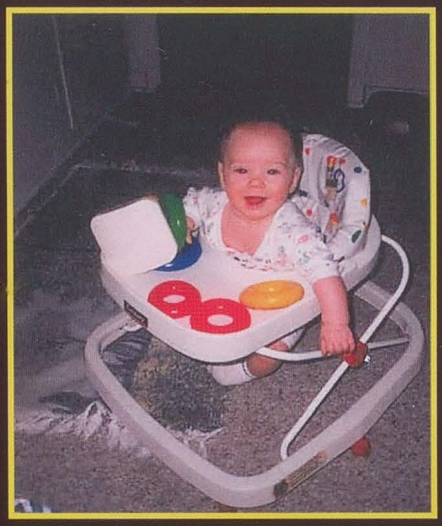



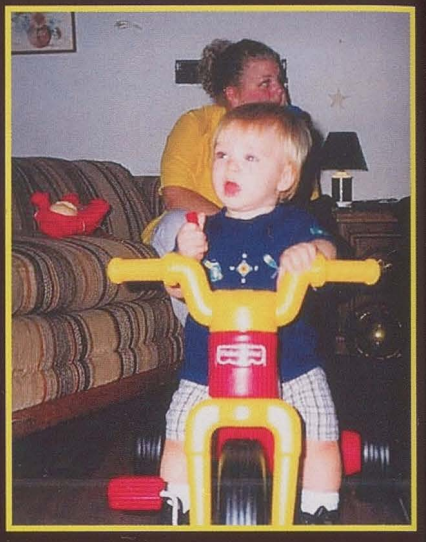
Holly Danielle Reynolds

"It begins and ends in your mind. What you give power to, has power of you."

Jerome Schneider







"Be awesome to each other."

-Bill S. Preston, Esq. and Theodore "Ted" Logan

Michael Scotello

High school
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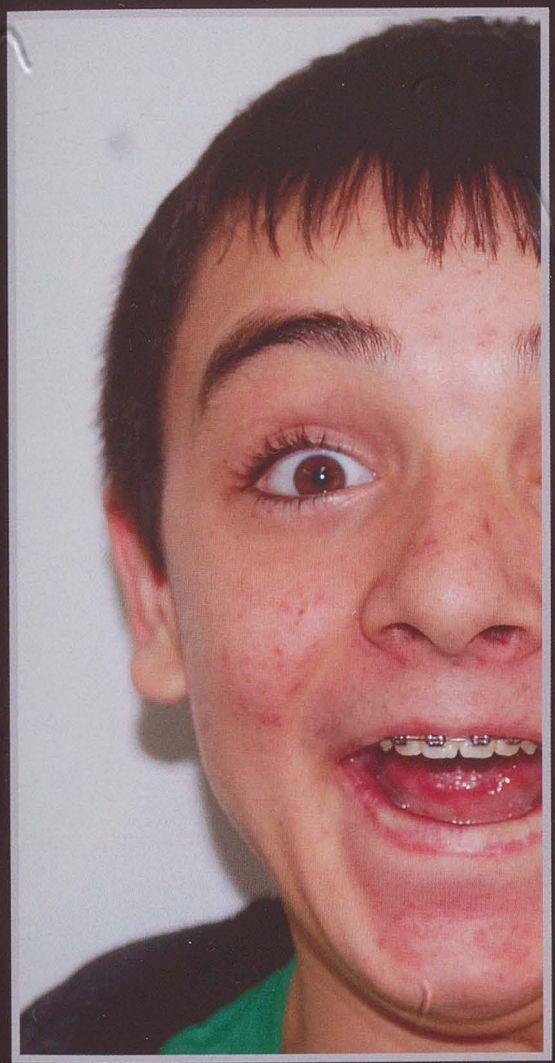
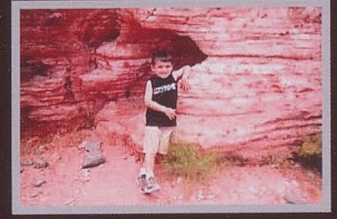
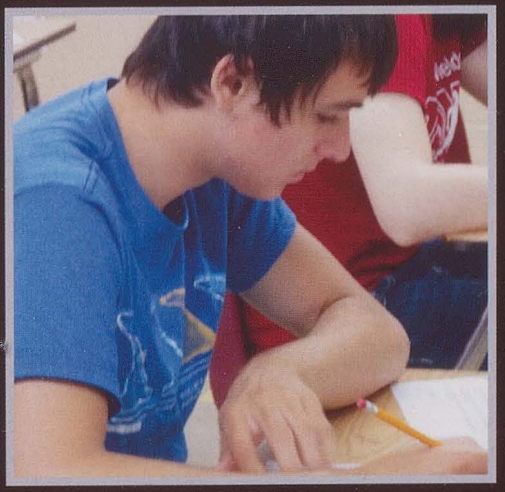
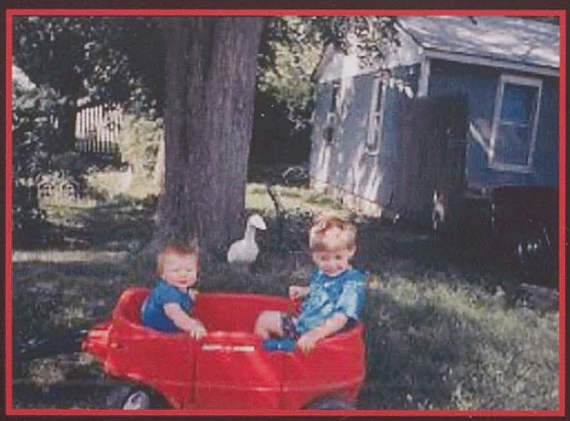


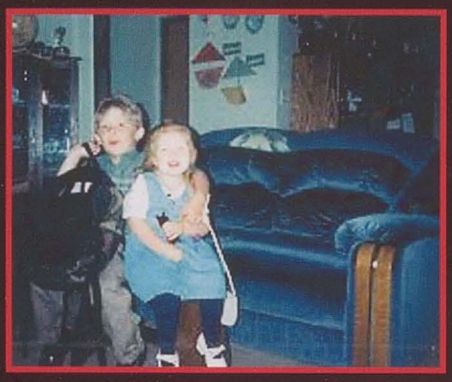


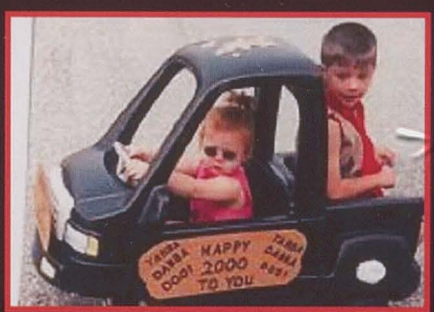


Amanda West

"Love is blind... I think that's what they say right?
Love is something anyway.
Love is strong, love is passionate...
love is apparently Candy Crush."
Markaplier



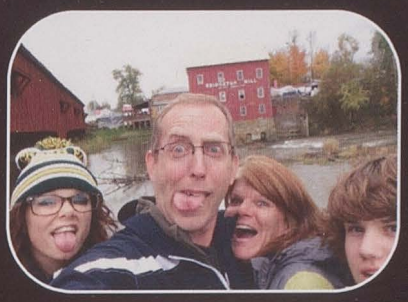


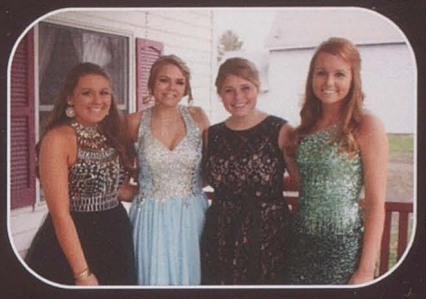


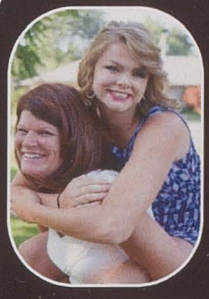
EMILY RENE WHITE

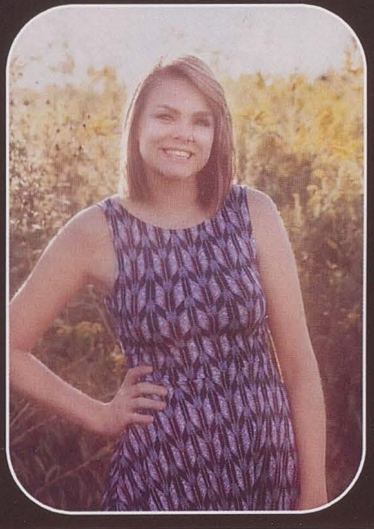
Emily Rene White

"Ten years from now, make sure you can say that you chose your life, you didnt settle for it."

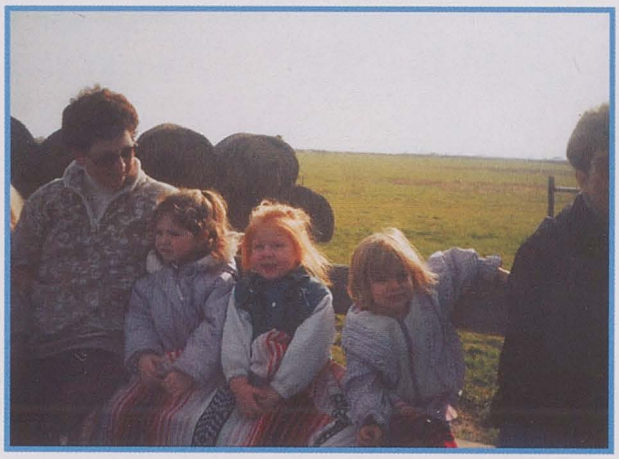


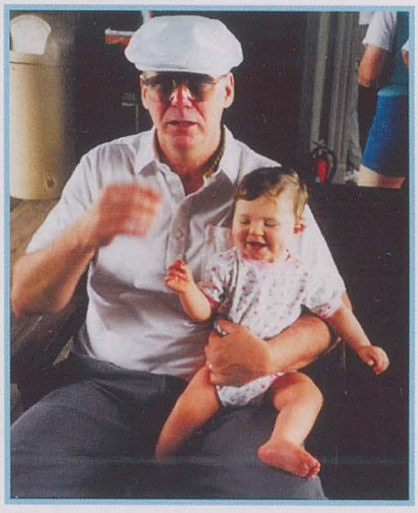


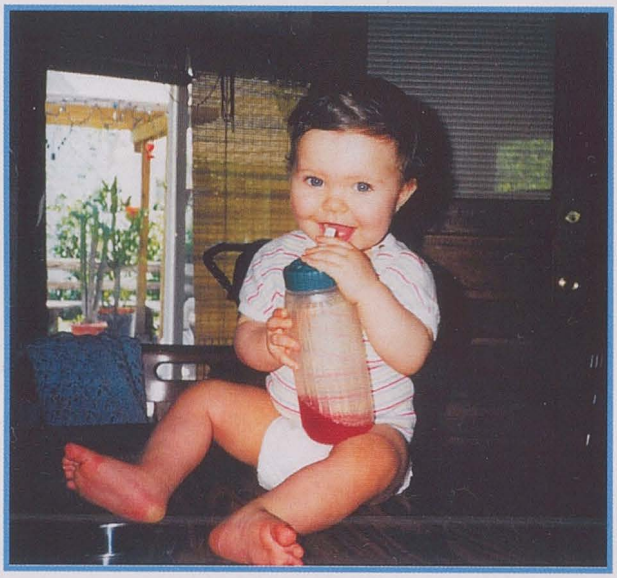


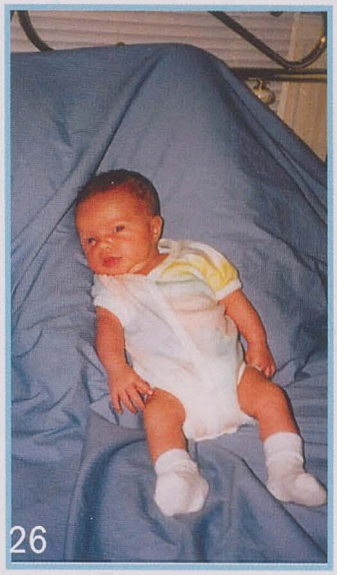


Liberty Morgan Wikoff





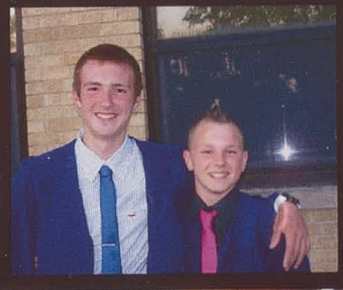


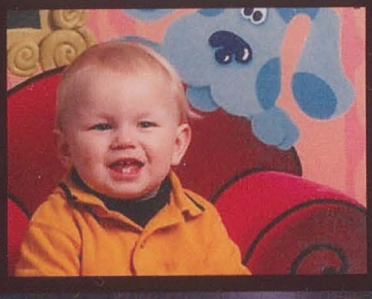


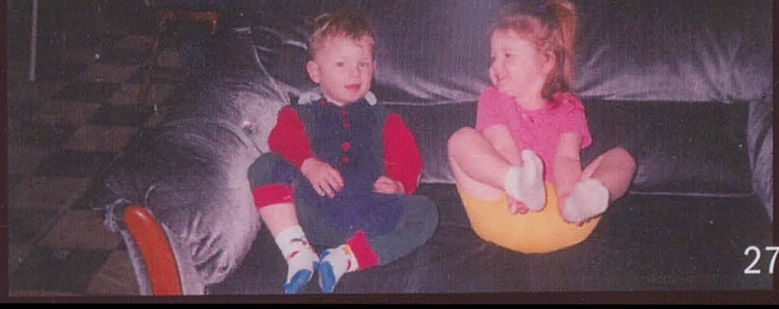
DALTON WOOLRIDGE

"I've been considered the songbird of my generation"

-Brennan Huff



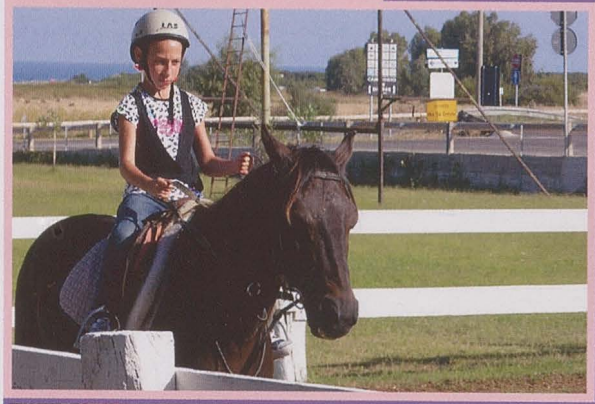


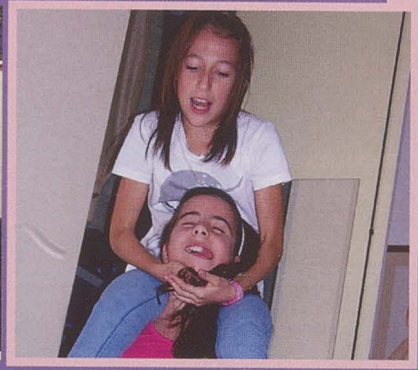


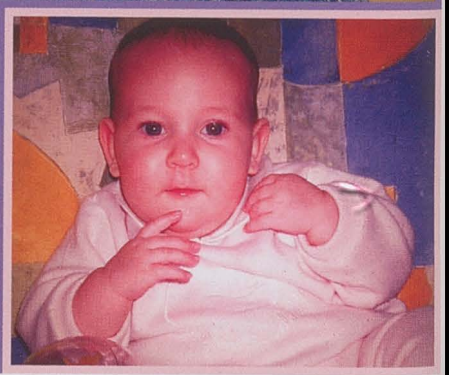
Roberta Spanu

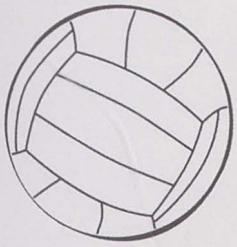
How lucky am I to have something that makes saying goodbye so hard?

~Winnie the Pooh



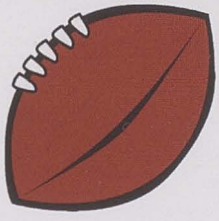


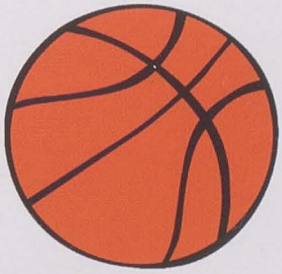




Art

D-W SPORTS, CLUBS & ACTIVITIES





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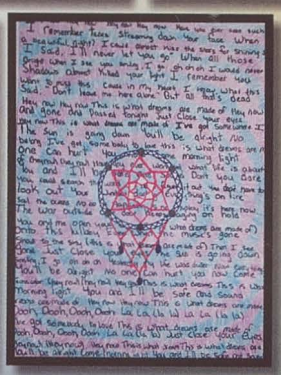
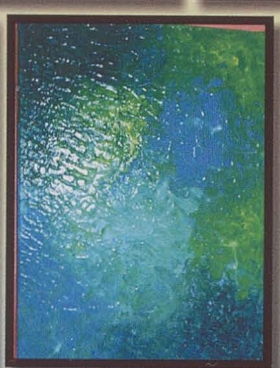
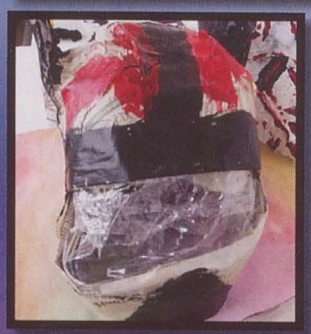
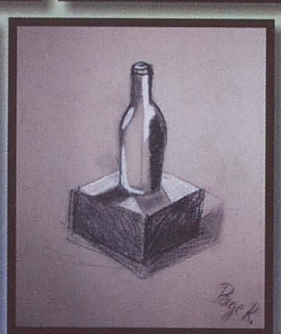
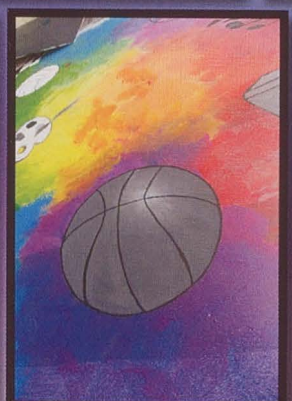
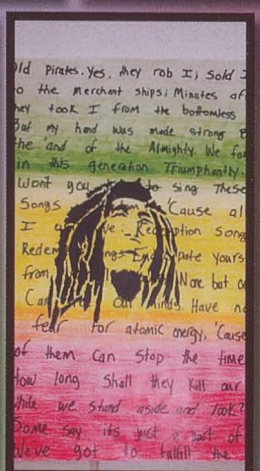


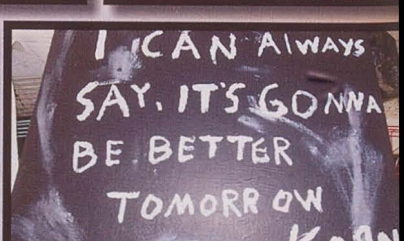








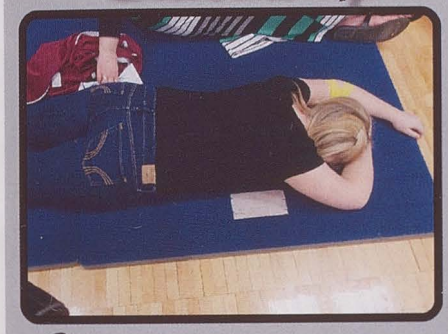




National Honor Society

Libby Wikoff (Sr), Brandon Lappin (Jr), Erika Smith (Jr), Holly Reynolds (Sr), Mrs. Kirkton, Sara Hayes (Sr)

Citizenship



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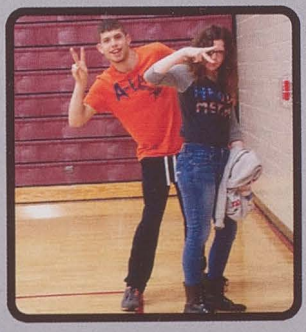
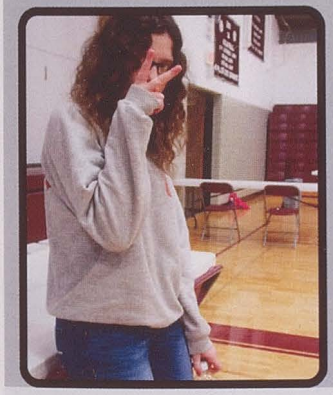
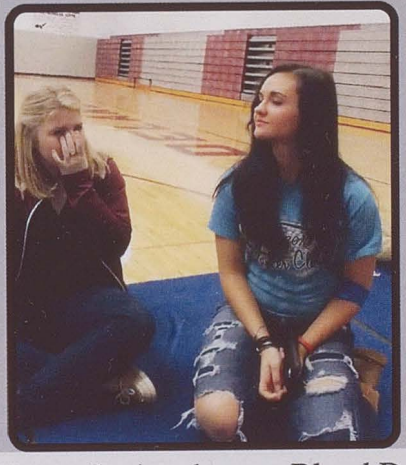


Character

Scholarship





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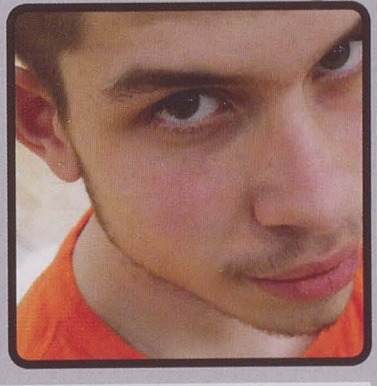
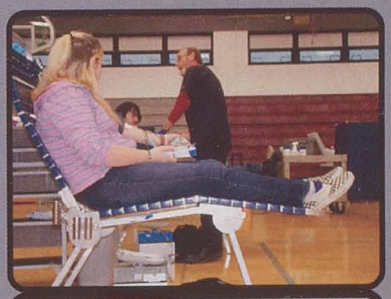


Every year, the National Honor Society hosts a Blood Drive in the high school gym. This gives the members a chance to be involved in community service during a school day. Membership is permanent and criteria is based on a minimum held 3.5 GPA and members are known for citizenship, service, character, scholarship, and leadership. Congratulations to the new inducties for the 2016-17 school year; Lauren Trimble, Maddison Burke, and Wesley Young!

Annual Blood Drive

Wednesday April 6, 2016



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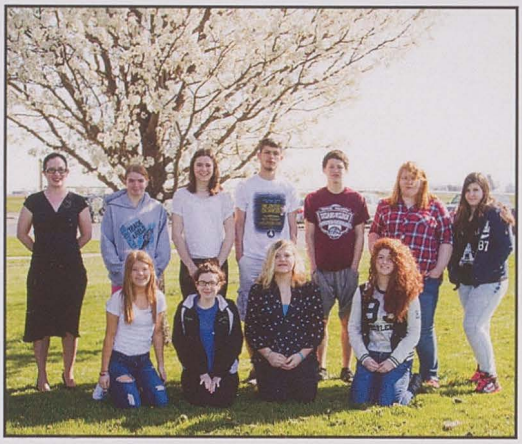
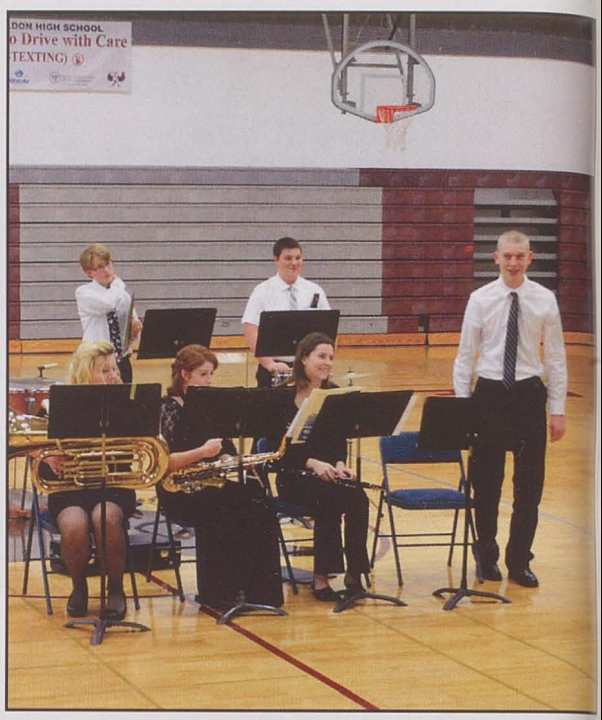




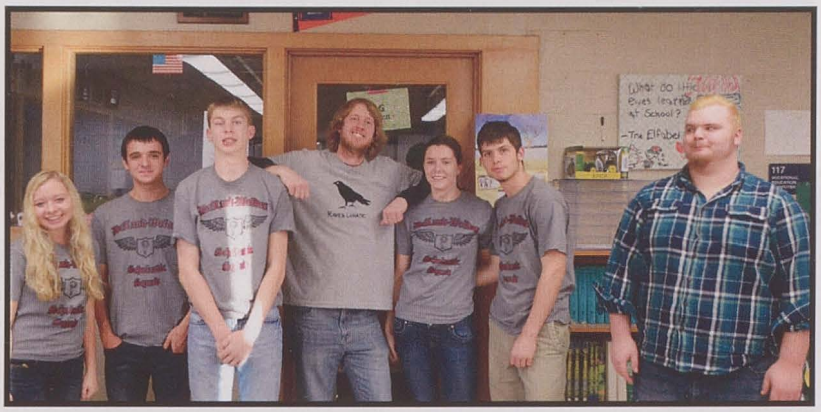
"Music expresses in which cannot be said, and on which it is impossible to be silent."

BAND & CHORUS MEMBERS

Band: Emily Becker, Brandon Lappin, Calvin Larrison, Savannah Maxedon, Billy Schmidt, Libby Wikoff, and Wes Young

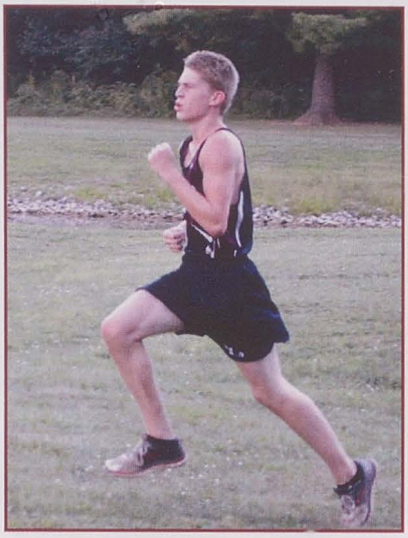
Chorus: Emilee Fenton, Alea Landers, Savannah Maxedon, Erika Smith, Kaleb Thomas, Kaylee Wegrich, Amanda West, and Libby Wikoff

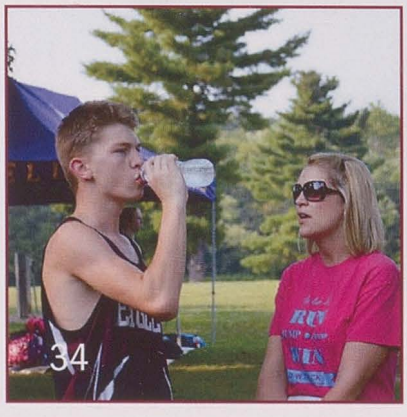
SCHOLASTIC BOWL



we are the danger.
we are the ones who buzz in.

Cross Country





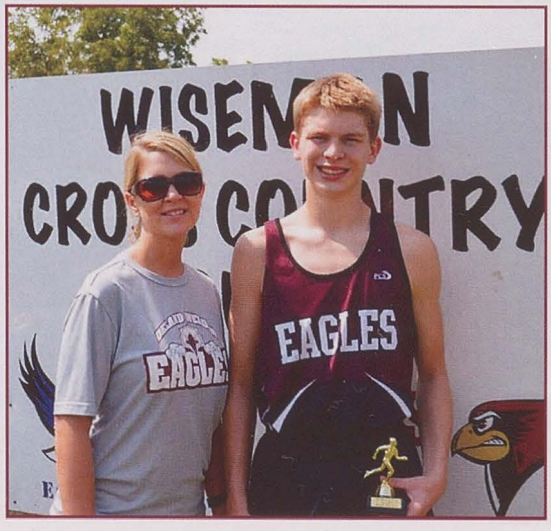
Often, the term "one-man team" gets used in sports to describe a particularly dominant player. In the case of the 2015 D-W Cross Country Team, the cliche was also literal. Wes Young (Jr) had an exceptional season as a runner this fall and was also the only member of the team in the program's first season.

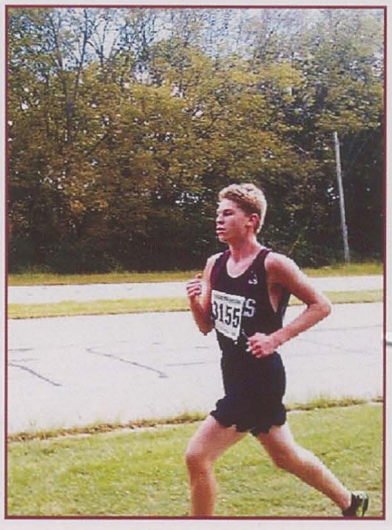
Wes used his incredible work ethic and self-discipline to push through practices despite being the only athlete competing. When the "rabbit" you are trying to catch in practice is yourself, some obvious challenges arise.

The hard work definitely paid off for Wes as he advanced to Sectionals after clocking a time of 17:09 at the Paxton-Buckey-Loda Regional. Although he did not advance to State, Wes finished 75th out of 157 runners at the Hickory Point Sectional in Forsyth. "Coming from a small school, I didn't think I would advance that far, but I surprised myself and the people who supported me. Which felt great!," said Young.

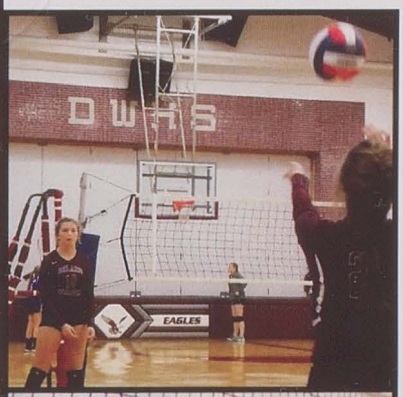
Speaking of support, Wes wanted to give a shout-out to his mother, Tracy Young, who not only brought the idea of starting cross country at D-W to the school board, but also stepped up as the volunteer head coach.

Heading into his senior year, Young is looking to improve his time by working even harder than he did this past season. Since next fall will be his last high school season competing in cross country, Wes has the goal of making it to state.





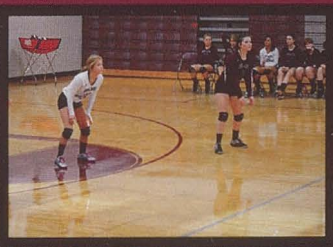
Junior Varsity Volleyball

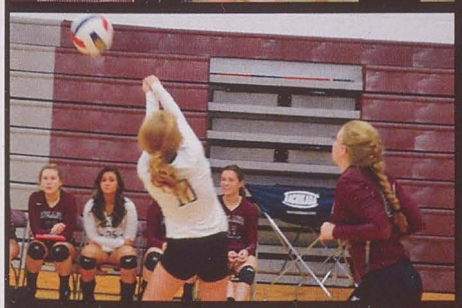


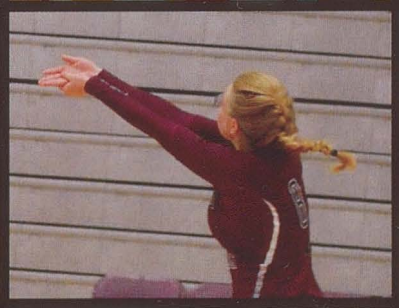
(Left to Right) **Front Row**: Megan McClure, Emilee Fenton, Mackenzie Lappin, Marissa Allen; **Middle Row**: Kaylee Wegrich; **Back Row**: Callie Reeder, Savannah Mitchell, Raeanne Allen

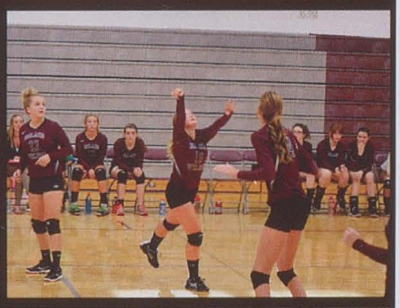
The JV volleyball team focused their efforts on improving as individuals as well as working together as a group. The team showed resiliance by picking each other up when times got tough during matches. They also had a great work ethic lead by Mackenzie Lappin (So.) and Kaylee Wegrich (So.). The Lady Eagles defended the net well through the efforts of Raeanne Allen (Fr.), Callie Reeder (So.), and Emilee Fenton (So).

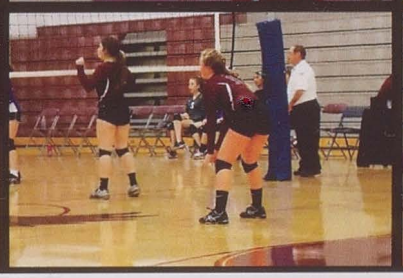
Looking to next year, this group of players will put in a lot of work over the off-season in order to prepare to fill some big shoes at the varsity level.

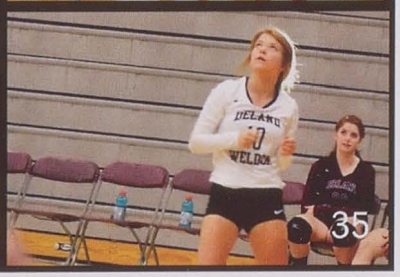












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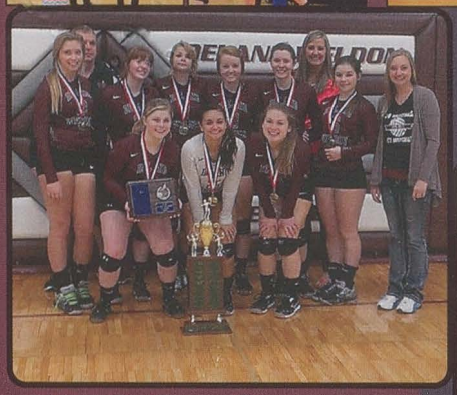
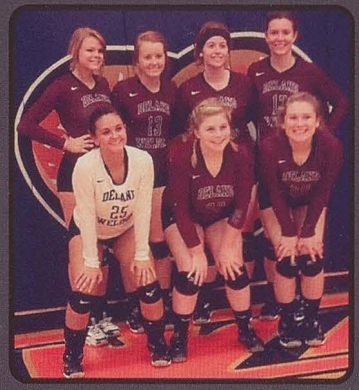


ECIC Conference Tournament 1st Place

Left to Right: Emily White (Sr.), Emily Becker (Sr.), Sara Hayes (Sr.), Holly Reynolds (Sr.), Madison Levitt (Fr.), Emily Boley (Sr.), Libby Wikoff (Sr.)

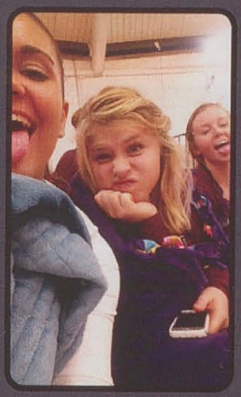
Blue Ridge Invitational 2nd Place



New Berlin Pretzel Classic 9th out of 16 teams

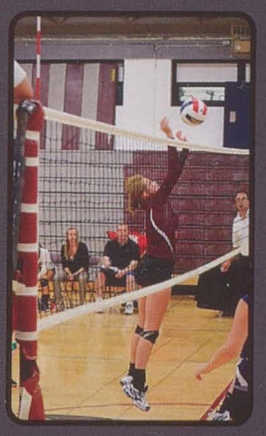
VOLLEYBALL

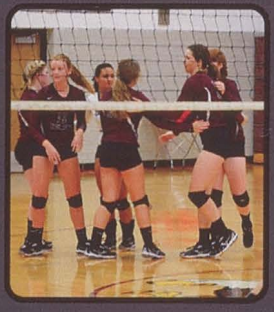
Heart

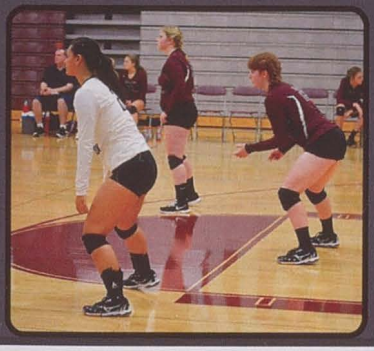


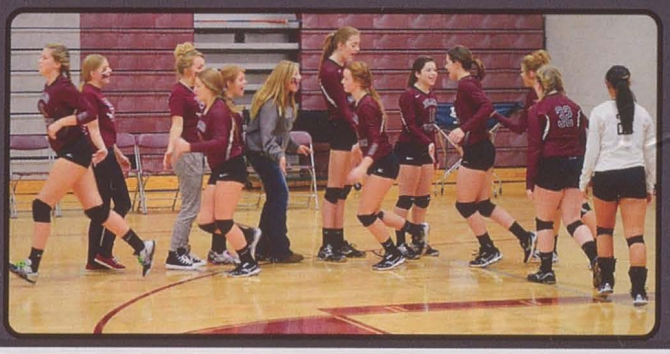
Passion

Determination





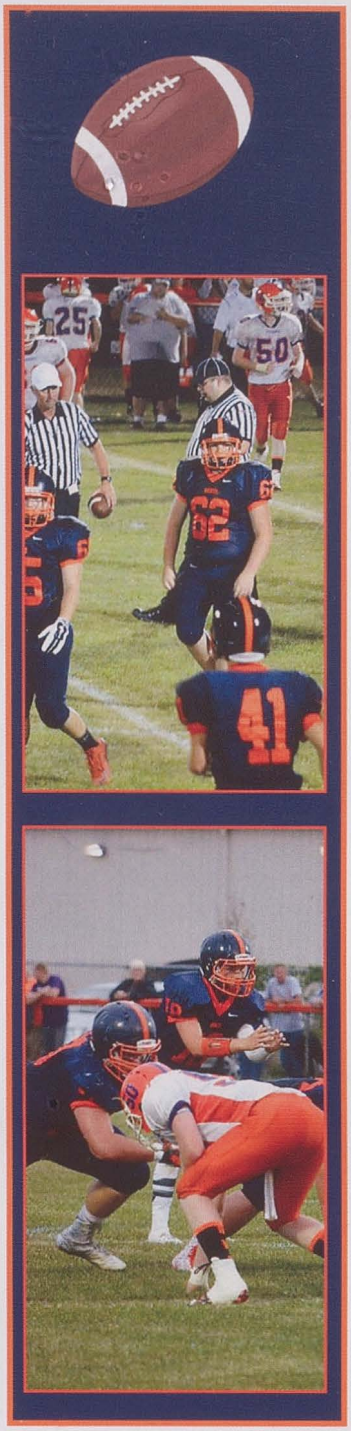




The Varsity Volleyball Team had an amazing season with 25 wins and 8 losses! They broke the school record for most wins in a season against Danville-Schlarman and continued on to play in the Regional Championship against Cissna Park.

The Eagles won the ECIC Regular Season Conference Title for the 4th year in a row and also took 1st place in the Conference Tournament for the 5th year in a row.

This group of players set a high standard for upcoming teams as their passion, determination, and team spirit were keys to success.



FOOTBALL

Fall Football

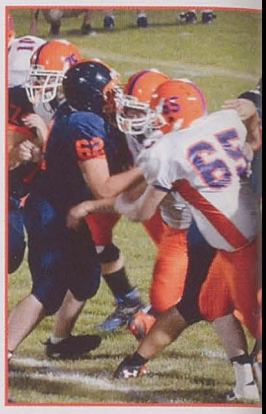
Dalton Woolridge (Sr.) and Calvin Larrison (So.) participated in the Cerro Gordo Football Co-Op.

Dalton, a three-year player, completed his second season as the varsity quarterback on the team that finished 5-5. The Bronco's best game came against A-L-A-H where they put up a shutout before the JV defense came in at the end of the 4th quarter.

Dalton's personal highlight came in the same game when he went 3 for 4 with two touchdowns.

Calvin's best play of the season was throwing an A-L-A-H noseguard to the ground while blocking for a TD. Larrison hopes to use this off-season to prepare to be a varsity contributor next year.

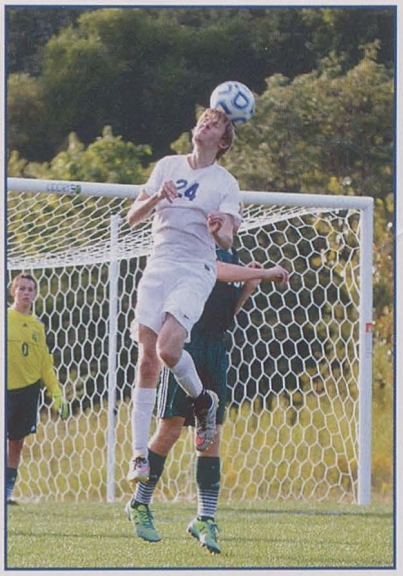
As Dalton's football career comes to an end he will look back fondly on his time as varsity QB while taking on the challenge of playing college baseball at Illinois College.

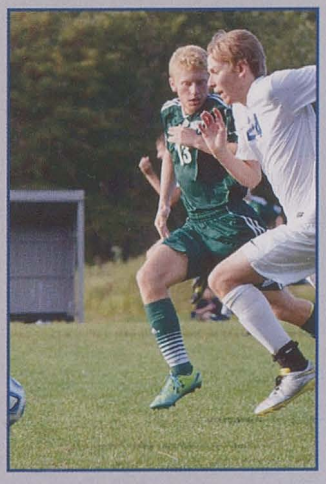


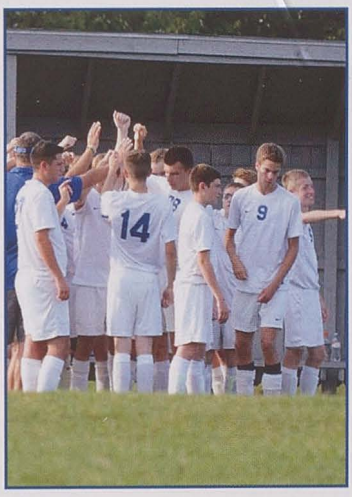
ONE TEAM. ONE DREAM.

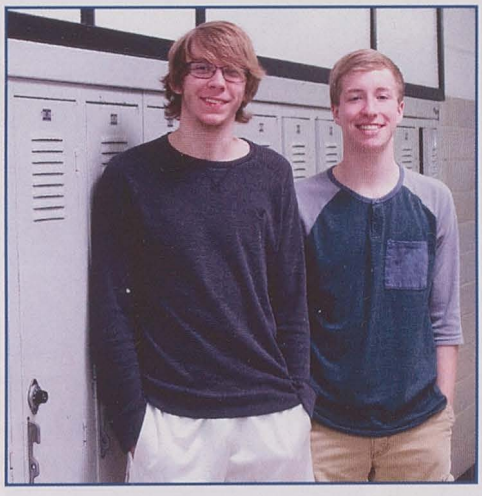
Opponent	Us	Them
Kansas	56	34
Pawnee	20	22
Cumberland	27	12
Decatur LSA	39	38
Tri-City	25	41
A-L-A-H	47	22
Argenta-Oreana	53	12
Arcola	0	61
Maroa-Forsyth	0	62
Tri-City	8	28

Soccer









THIS IS HOW WE ROLL

Season Recap

JT Habel (Jr.) and Jared Haynes (Jr.) are both coming off their third year playing for the Blue Ridge Soccer Co-Op. The team followed their run to the Final Four last year with a record of 14-7-3. They won their first-round Regional match against Oakwood but lost in the Regional Championship to State-qualifier Uni High.

Jared's best game this season was against Monticello where he scored a hat trick (3 goals). JT's personal highlight for the season was successfully transitioning from midfield to center defender to fill a team need due to injuries. The team's best game was a 2-1 victory over Bloomington Central Catholic because, according to JT, "it was the toughest team on our schedule that we were able to defeat."

The duo have their eyes set on making a deeper run in the post-season and winning a Sectional Championship as seniors.

Opponent	Us	Them
Arthur	9	0
Iroq. West	3	0
Uni High	0	4
Fisher	1	1
Oakwood	0	0
St. Teresa	0	2
Olympia	4	1
Judah	1	0
Oakwood	2	0
Monticello	1	2
St. Joe-Ogden	1	0
Hoopeston	1	2
Cornerstone	8	2
Central Cath.	2	1
St. Thom. Moore	1	3
Cornerstone	9	2
Watseka	2	0
Roanoke-Benson	2	1
Monticello	3	3
Mt. Pulaski	5	0
Schlarman	1	0
Fisher	1	0
Oakwood	2	0
UU	0	9

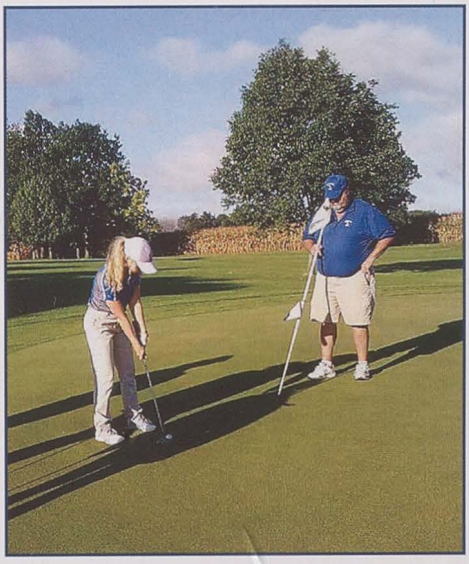
Boys Golf

Billy Schmidt (Fr.) completed his first year of golf through the Blue Ridge Co-op. He plans to play again next year for Blue Ridge for his Sophomore year. Billy's low score for the year was a 60, which he shot in Farmer City.

Schmidt's goal for his sophomore season is to consistently break 60.

Girls Golf

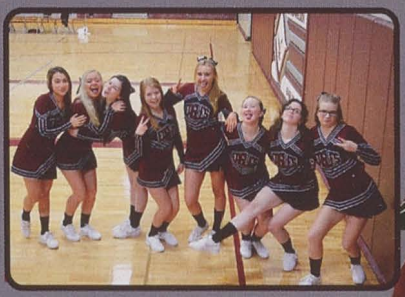
Hit 'em straight and count 'em all!



Lauren Trimble (So.) completed her second year of golf through the Blue Ridge Co-op. This year's team highlight was achieved at Iroquois West when the girls beat a two-year low with their combined score for that match. Later in the season at the Leroy Scramble, the team shot an eighty-one, "which was huge for us!" said Lauren.

Lauren's personal-best rounds came against Iroquis West, and again at home against Prairie Central, when she shot a 48. Her goal for next season is to consistently shoot in the mid-forties.

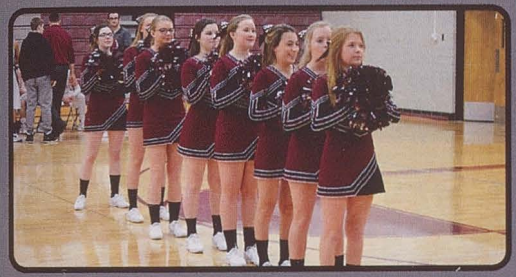
CHEERLEADING

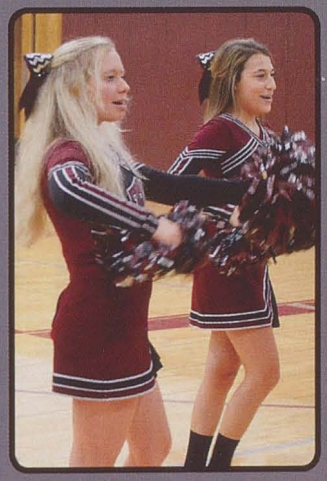


Left to right: Roberta Spanu (Jr.), Lauren Trimble (So.), Mackenzie Lappin (So.), Kaylee Wegrich (Fr.), Maria Braendeland (Sr.), Marissa Allen (Fr.), Erika Smith (Jr.), Emilee Fenton (Fr.)

Captains:

Lauren Trimble & Mackenzie Lappin





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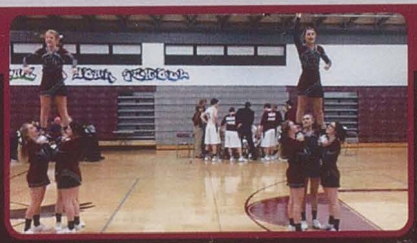
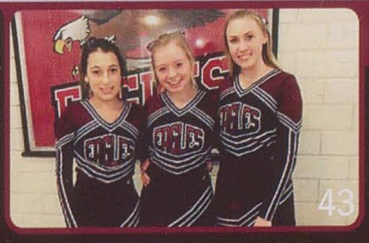




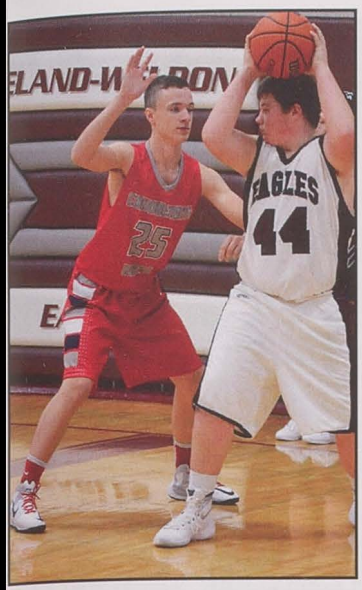
GIRLS BASKETBALL

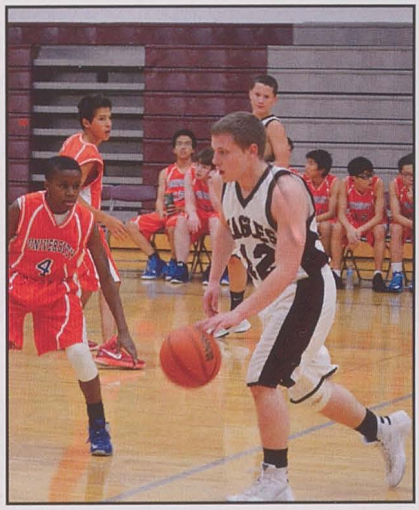
Emily Becker completed the senior season of her eight year basketball career in the Cerro-Gordo-Bement Co-Op. Becker was known for her hard work and being a great team player. Quite often Emily could be found in the gymnasium working on her game while waiting to head to practice.

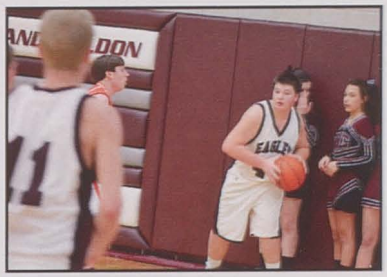
Congratulations on a great carreer!

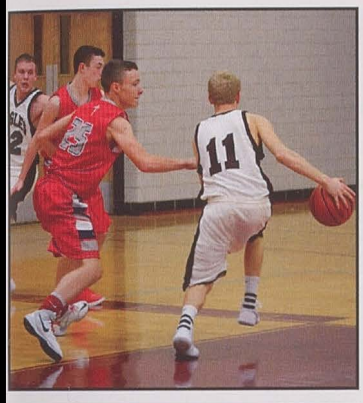
2015-16 Junior Varsity BOYS BASKETBALL

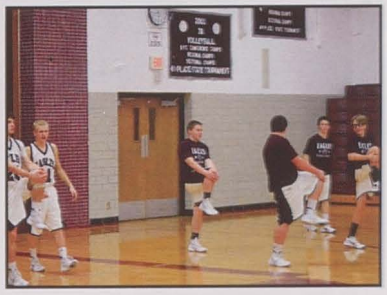
Toughness. Fundamentals. Teamwork.

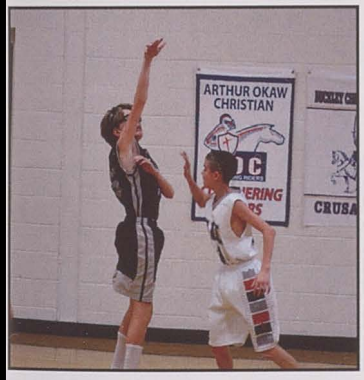


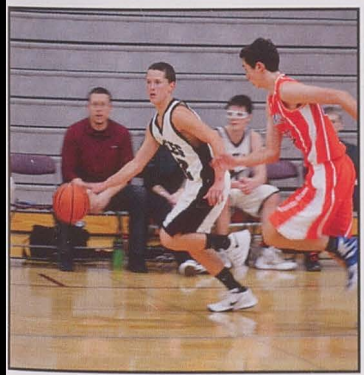












The 2015-16 junior varsity basketball team was the epitome of togetherness. The team, lead by Tyler Porter (Jr.), Kaleb Thomas (So.), Jake Wingert (So.) and Calvin Larrison (So.), always encouraged each other, played hard every night, and had a very successful season.

As point guard, Tyler Porter was the floor general all season as he initiated the offense and handled the ball a majority of each game. Kaleb Thomas was quick to lend his sharp-shooting skills to the team at the 3 point line. While Jake Wingert was the best defender, consistently frustrating the opponent all year. In addition, Calvin Larrison used his basketball IQ to draw up his patented baseline out of bounds play called "Laser" for a score.

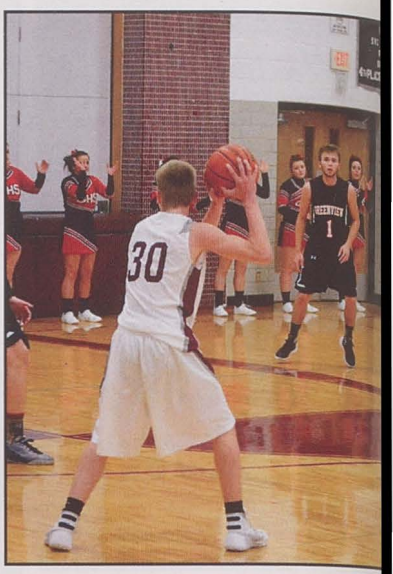
Porter, Thomas, Wingert and Larrison will be putting in work this off-season in hopes of filling key roles on the varsity team during the 2016-17 basketball season. They have committed themselves to working with the rest of next year's upperclassmen in order to have a successful varsity campaign.

Last but not least, Bill Schmidt (Fr.) and John Talbert (Fr.) will look to use their experience to step into leadership roles as sophomores on next year's JV team as a group of new freshmen will begin their high school careers.

DW VARSITY 2015-16

BOYS BASKETBALL

THE TEAM. THE TEAM. THE TEAM.



Boys Basketball Roster

Back Row:
Coach Goldman, Coach Neathery, Calvin Larrison (So),
Dakota Stukins (Jr), Wes Young (Jr),
Chris McClure (Sr), Brandon Lappin (Jr),
Tyler Duff (Jr), Jake Wingert (So), Coach Rabbe

Front Row:
Bailey Fink (Sr), John Talbert (Fr),
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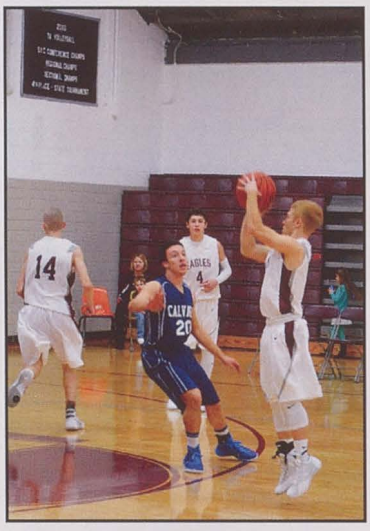
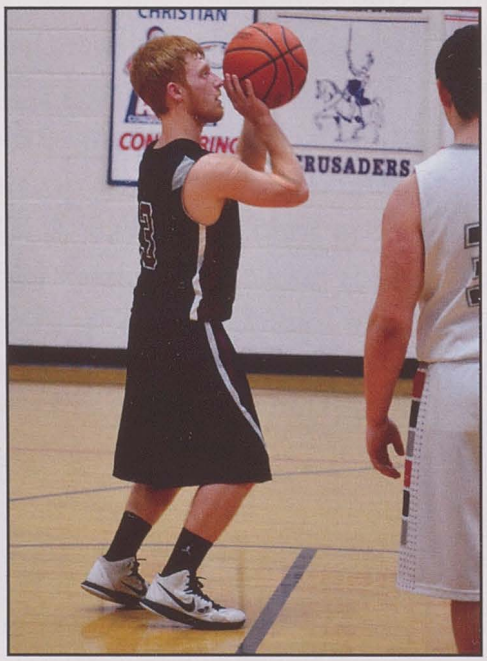




THE STONECUTTERS CREEDO

There is a quote about a stonecutter from the nineteenth-century journalist, Jacob Riis that goes as follows:

"When nothing seems to help, I go and look at a stonecutter hammering away at his rock, perhaps a hundred times, without as much as a crack showing in it. Yet, at the hundred and first blow it will split in two, and I know it was not that blow that did it, but all that had gone before."

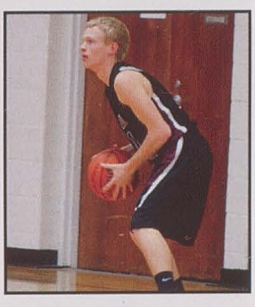
This allegory is used to describe the process of success. It does not happen overnight. A team must consistently hammer away at the task of improving, little by little, even when it seems like nothing is happening. This approach has a big payoff when a team gets a lot better. An informed player knows it wasn't one special day, but instead the years of work that made all the difference.

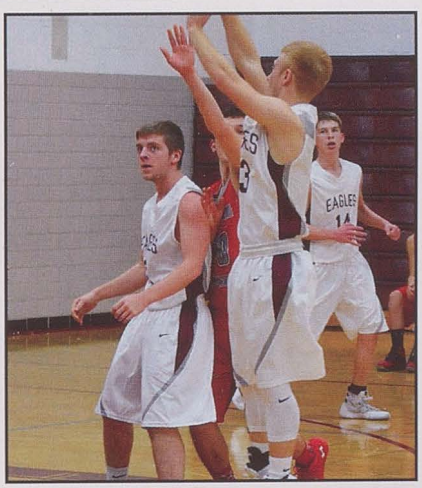
This year's basketball team took the long view of the stonecutter in the face of unexpected departures and injuries. Lead by the hard work of seniors Bailey Fink (First Team All-Conference) and Chris McClure, the Eagles tirelessly grabbed their hammers and got to work.

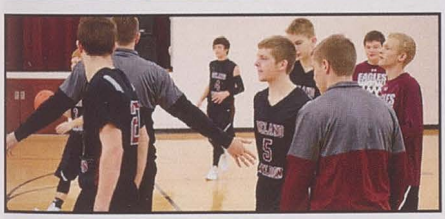
The two big highlights of the season both came against Calvary Christian. The first was at the Homecoming game in December where the Eagles defeated the Knights 41-40 with a key defensive stand in the final seconds. D-W was lead by Bailey Fink with 23 points and 7 rebounds as well as 10 points from Dakota Stukins (Jr.). This was the first Homecoming win for the programs in twenty years!

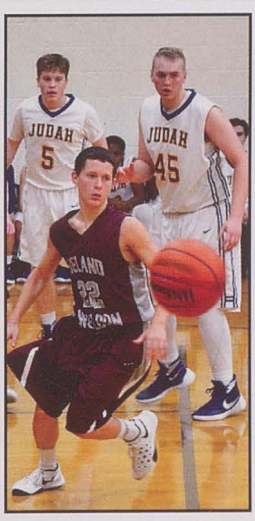
The second bright spot over Calvary came in the Consolation Championship of the ECIC Tournament, when the Eagles played their best game of the season and rolled to a 55-32 victory. Once again, Bailey Fink was the leading scorer with 15 points and 6 rebounds, Brandon Lappin (Jr.) chipped in 12 points and 8 rebounds, while Wes Young (Jr.) filled the stat sheet with 12 points, 7 rebounds, 7 steals, and 3 assists.

The 2015-16 sophomores and juniors have dedicated themselves to having their best off-season to date in order to have more success as juniors and seniors in 2016-17. While the journey to success can be filled with countless hammer strikes, the team knows there will be a rock, split in two, in their future.









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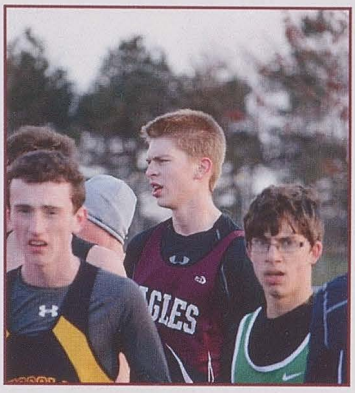

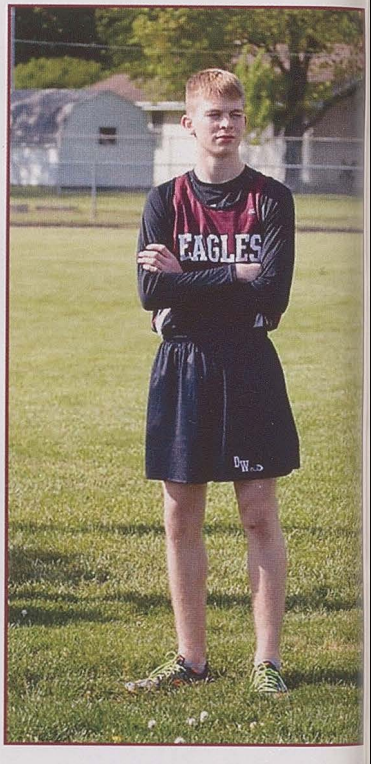
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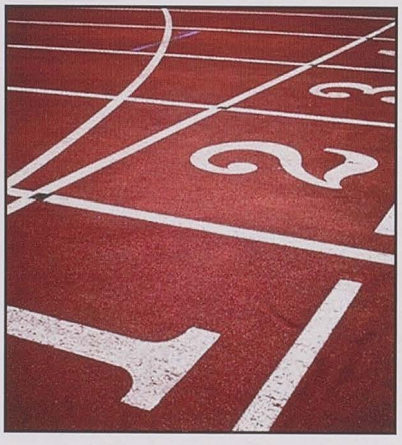

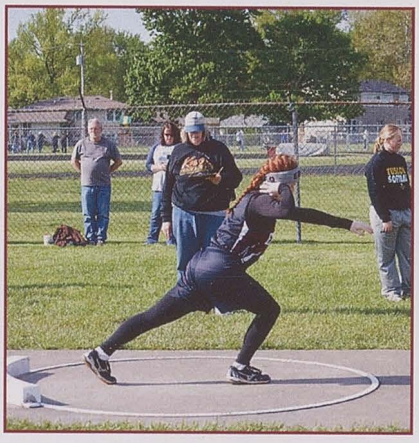

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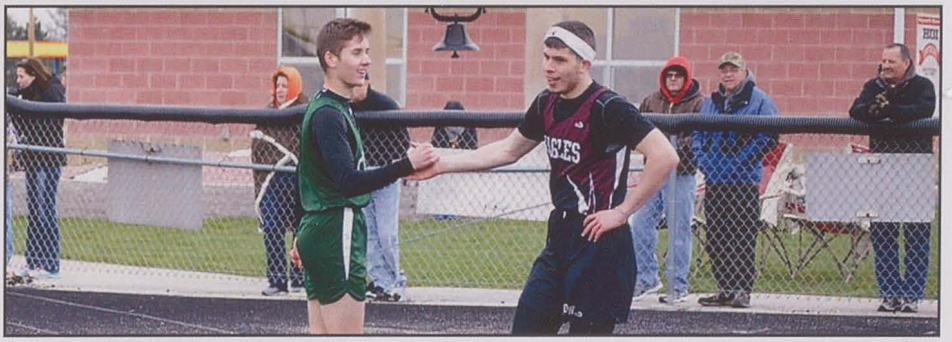
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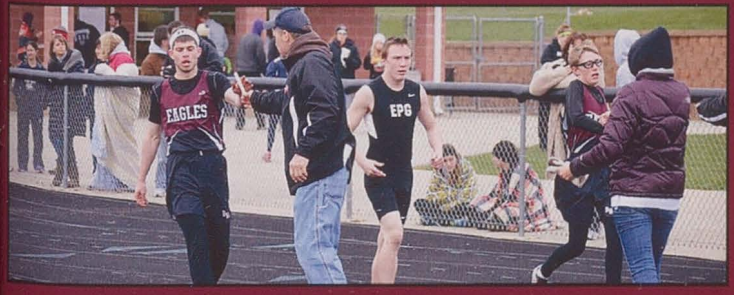
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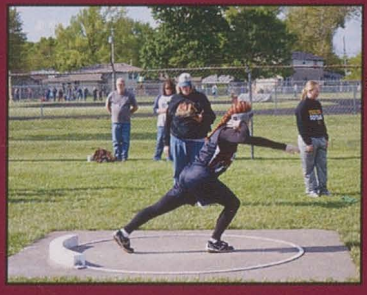

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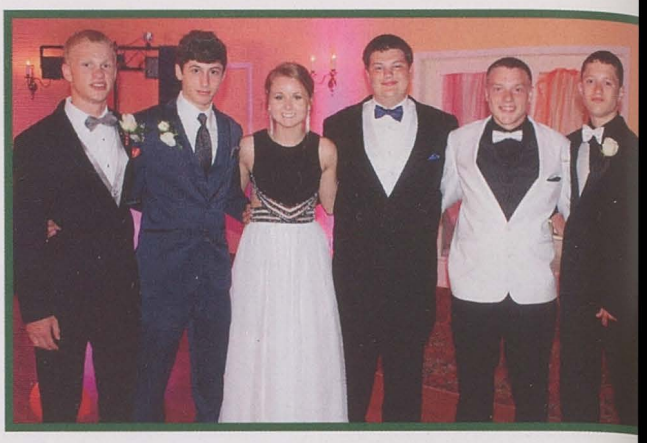

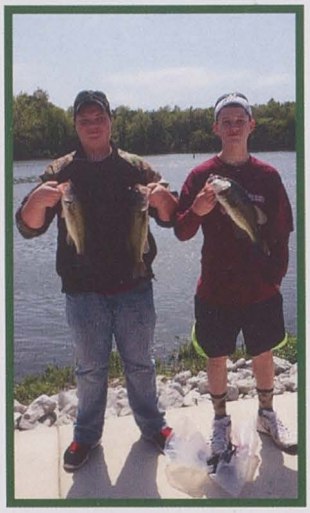

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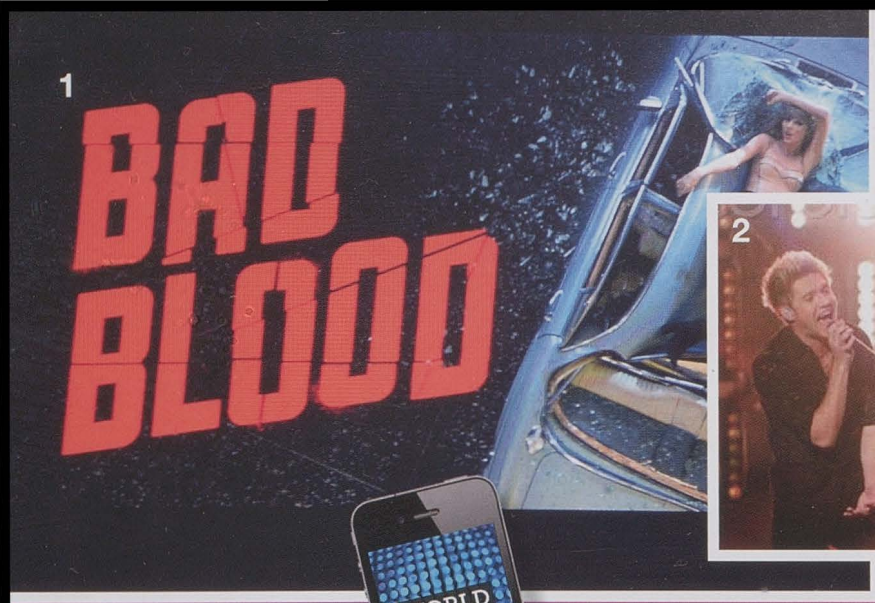

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MUSIC

1. NOT BAD
Taylor Swift's "Bad Blood" video, with an all-star cast of actresses and models, wins the VMA Music Video of the Year award.

2. A DIFFERENT DIRECTION
One Direction releases its sixth album, *Made In The A.M.*, and announces an extended break.

3. TRUE PURPOSE
Justin Bieber releases his fourth studio album, *Purpose*, which impresses even non-Beliebers.

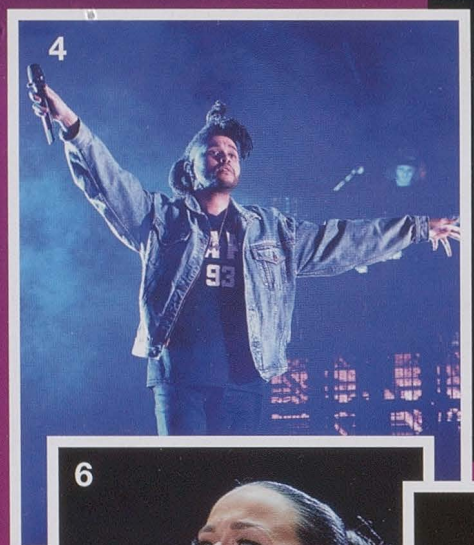
4. FRIENDS IN HIGH PLACES
The Weeknd's *Beauty Behind the Madness* album features duets with Ed Sheeran and Lana Del Rey.

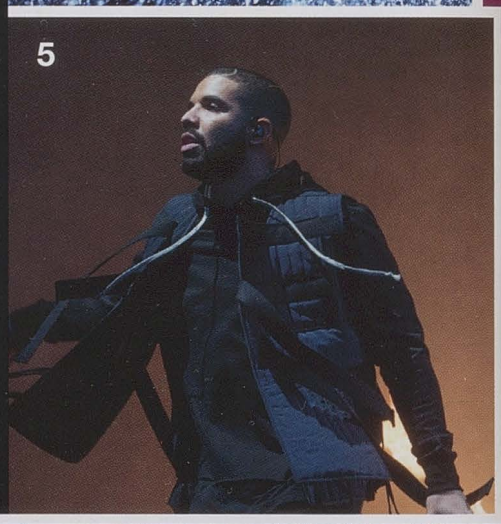
5. NOT TOO LATE
Drake delights fans and critics with his acclaimed album *If You're Reading This It's Too Late.*

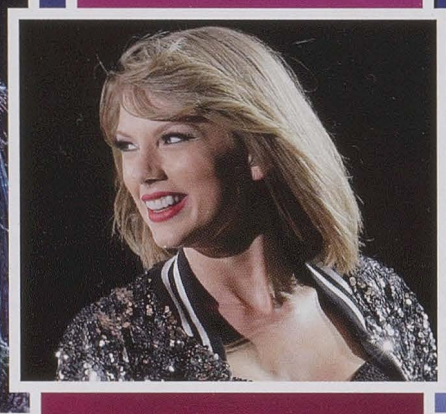
6. WOMEN ON TOP
Katy Perry and Taylor Swift top the Forbes list of top-earning women in music.

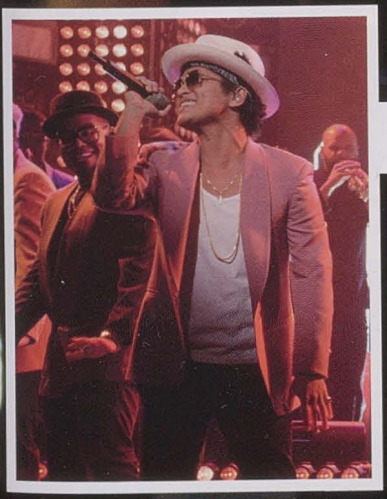
7. CRUSHED IT
Little Big Town's "Girl Crush" wins Single of the Year and Song of the Year at the Country Music Awards.

8. WISTFUL HELLO
Adele releases "Hello," the first hit single from her much-awaited album *25.*









TOP SONGS OF 2015

1. *Uptown Funk!* – Mark Ronson featuring Bruno Mars
2. *Thinking Out Loud* – Ed Sheeran
3. *See You Again* – Wiz Khalifa featuring Charlie Puth
4. *Trap Queen* – Fetty Wap
5. *Sugar* – Maroon 5
6. *Shut Up And Dance* – Walk the Moon
7. *Blank Space* – Taylor Swift
8. *Watch Me* – Silento
9. *Earned It* – The Weeknd
10. *The Hills* – The Weeknd

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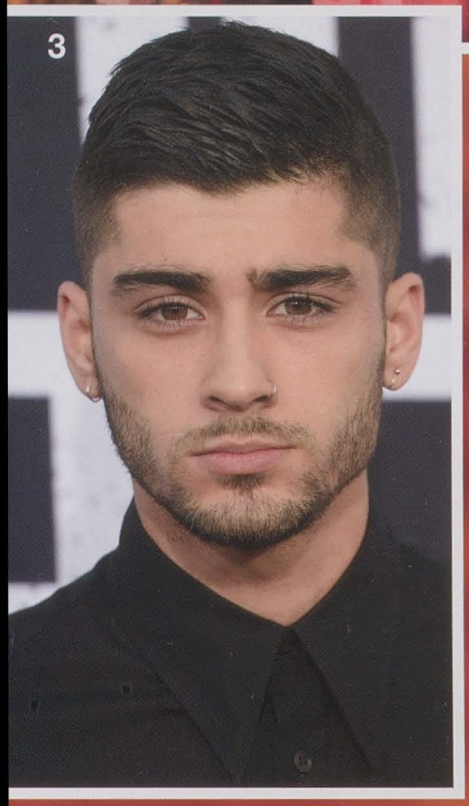
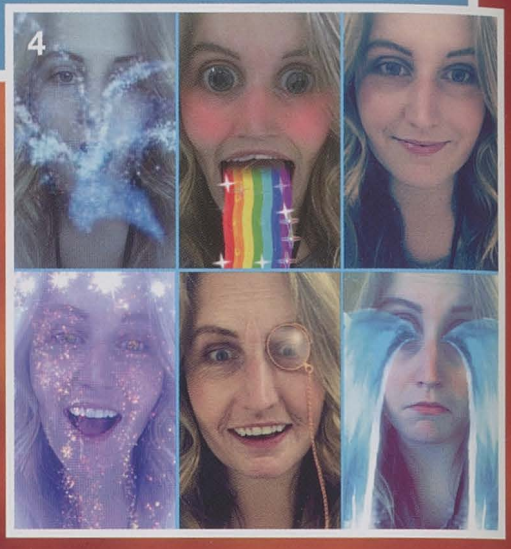




SOCIAL MEDIA

1. MINECRAFT
Minecraft: Pocket Edition, enabling users to build their own imaginative worlds, comes in on top for most downloaded game app.

2. LIFE IS A STREAM
Users broadcast their videos in real time with Periscope, the popular new live streaming app. Apple names it the iPhone® app of the year.

3. BOY BAND BEEF
One Direction fans are even more heartbroken when Zayn Malik launches a Twitter feud with his former band mates.

4. SELFIES 2.0
Snapchat launches Lenses, a suite of zany, animated special effects you can layer over your face.

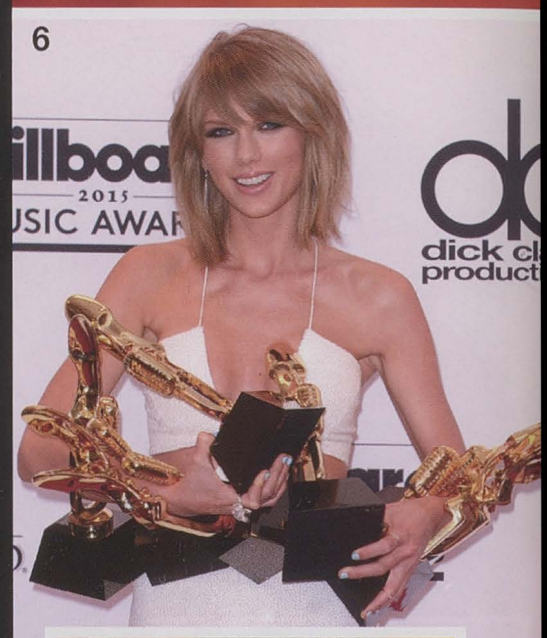
5. CASH FOR CLANS
The small cost for exponentially increasing your ability to defend and combat opposing bases wins out over the wallet in the mobile app game, Clash of Clans. This top grossing app raked in an incredible $1.56 million per day from users dolling out real cash to develop virtual troops.

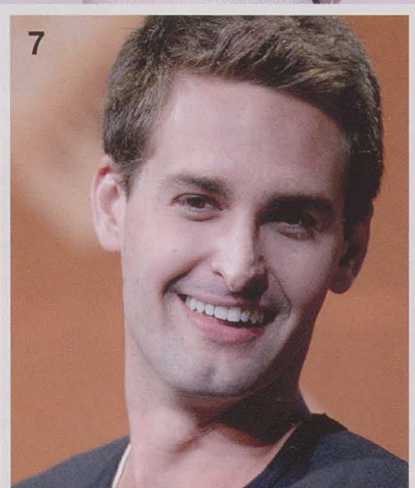
6. SILENT PROTEST
Taylor Swift refuses to put her *1989* album on Spotify and removes her older releases from the streaming service.

7. SNAPCHAT SURGES
Evan Spiegel, then-23-year-old CEO of Snapchat, turned down a multi-billion dollar offer from Facebook. Now, usage reports hoist Snapchat second at 6 billion views per day to Facebook's 8 billion.

8. THE BILLION VIEW CLUB
One billion YouTube views, once rare, are becoming increasingly common. Wiz Khalifa's "See You Again" is the tenth and latest member of the club.

9. #THEDRESS
Is it blue and black or white and gold? Variations in human color perception go viral as a photo of a dress on Tumblr prompts heated debate. A BuzzFeed article about the dress attracts 37 million hits.





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FOLLOW THE LEADERS

Katy Perry is the most-followed celebrity on Twitter.

1. Katy Perry
2. Justin Bieber
3. Taylor Swift
4. Barack Obama
5. YouTube
6. Rihanna
7. Lady Gaga
8. Justin Timberlake
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10. Twitter

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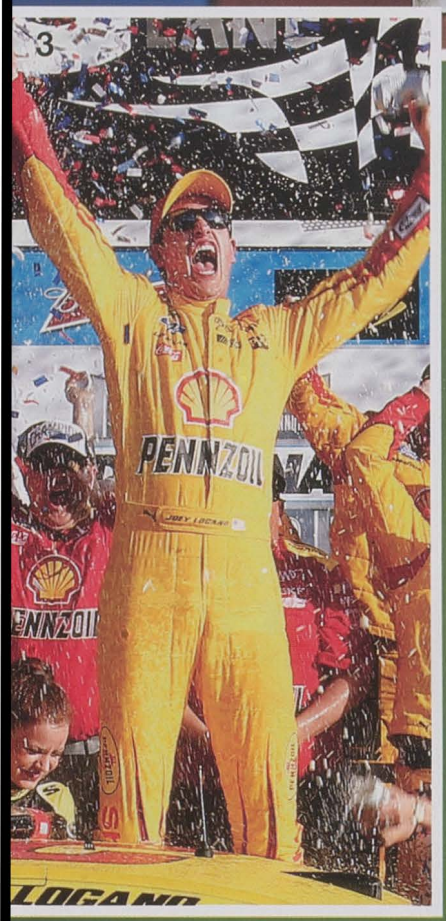

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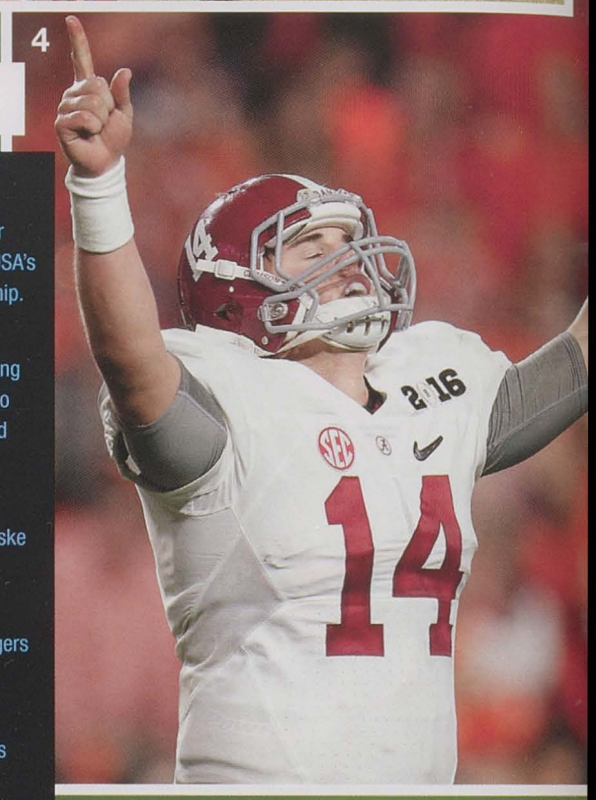


1. ABBY HANGS UP HER CLEATS
The world's leading scorer and captain of USA women's soccer team, Abby Wambach, announced her retirement following Team USA's triumphant win against Japan (5-2) in the World Cup championship.

2. LITTLE LEAGUE, BIG WIN
Japan wins 2015 Little League Baseball World Series by defeating Mid-Atlantic in an astounding six innings. Shingo Tomita hit two opportune homers in the second and third innings that boosted his team toward their 18-11 run win.

3. DAYTONA SURPRISE
With his surprise Daytona 500 victory, Joey Logano of Team Penske grabs a spot in the chase for the NASCAR Sprint Cup.

4. DIVISION ONE DOMINANCE
University of Alabama Crimson Tide defeats Clemson University Tigers 45 to 40 in the NCAA FBS National Championship game.

5. UFC UPSET
The #RouseyRevolution of MMA superstar Ronda Rousey takes an unexpected detour with a knockout from Holly Holm.

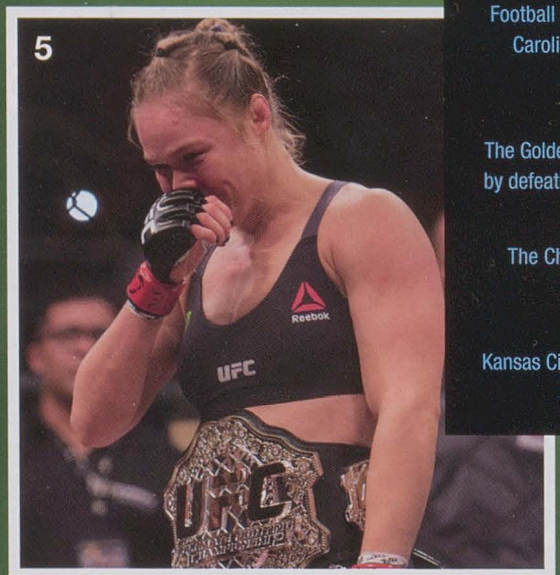
6. SERENA THE GREAT
After winning 3 of 4 Grand Slam tournaments in 2015, Serena Williams was named as the Associated Press Female Athlete of the Year for the fourth time.

7. SUPER SHOWDOWN
Football fans sat captivated as the Denver Broncos defeated the Carolina Panthers 24 to 10 in the NFL Championship game at Levi's Stadium in San Francisco.

8. WARRIORS WIN
The Golden State Warriors end their 40-year championship drought by defeating the Cleveland Cavaliers to win the NBA Championship.

9. THE CUP COMES BACK
The Chicago Blackhawks defeat the Tampa Bay Lightning to win their sixth Stanley Cup Championship.

10. ROYALS REIGN
Kansas City fans go wild when the Royals defeat the New York Mets four games to one to win the MLB World Series.



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2015 GOLD GLOVE AWARD WINNERS

POSITION	AL WINNER	TEAM	POSITION	NL WINNER	TEAM
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C	Salvador Pérez	KCR	C	Yadier Molina	STL
1B	Eric Hosmer	KCR	1B	Paul Goldschmidt	ARI
2B	Jose Altuve	HOU	2B	Dee Gordon	MIA
3B	Manny Machado	BAL	3B	Nolan Arenado	COL
SS	Alcides Escobar	KCR	SS	Brandon Crawford	SF
LF	Yoenis Cespedes	DET	LF	Starling Marte	PIT
CF	Kevin Kiermaier	TB	CF	AJ Pollock	ARI
RF	Kole Calhoun	LAA	RF	Jason Heyward	STL

TOP 5

HIGHEST PAID ATHLETES OF 2015

1. Floyd Mayweather, Jr.
2. Manny Pacquiao
3. Cristiano Ronaldo
4. Lionel Messi
5. Roger Federer

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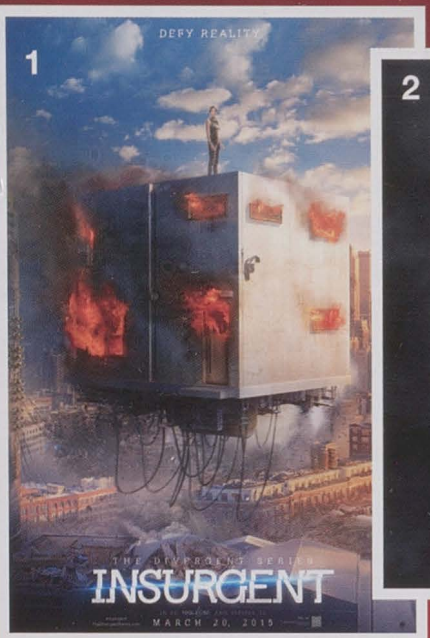
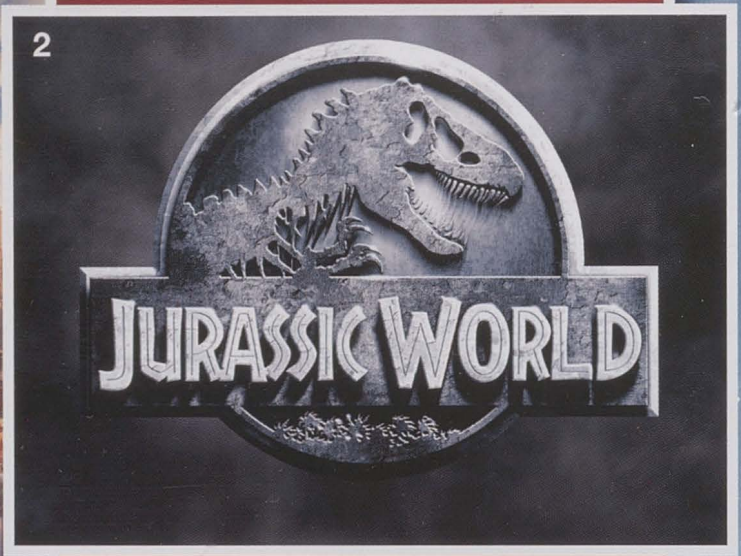
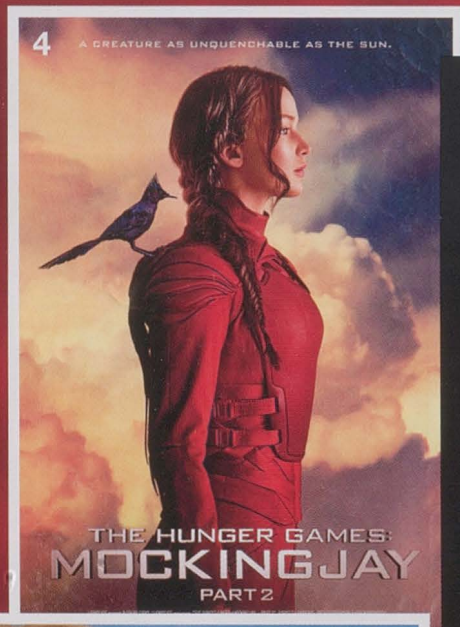
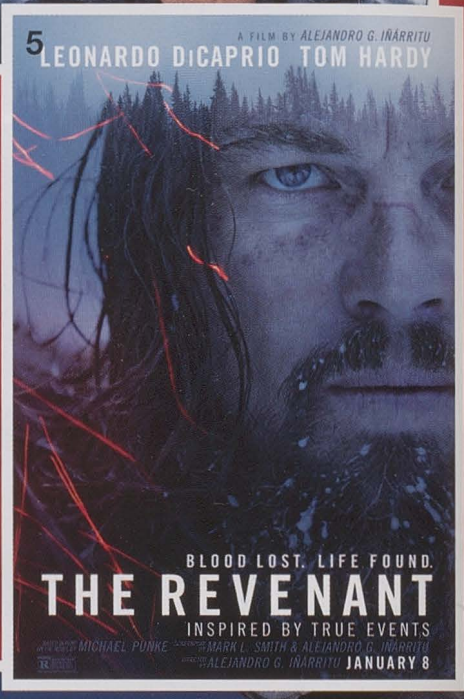








1. BEYOND THE WALL
Shailene Woodley returns as Tris Prior in the film adaptation of *The Divergent Series: Insurgent*.

2. A MONSTER HIT
Chris Pratt and Bryce Dallas Howard star in *Jurassic World*, the fourth movie in the Jurassic Park film series.

3. PRIDE AND JOY
The biopic *Joy* wins a Golden Globe, and so does Jennifer Lawrence for her portrayal of a divorced mom turned millionaire entrepreneur.

4. THE LIBERATION OF PANEM
Katniss Everdeen and her allies return to theaters for their final mission in *The Hunger Games: Mockingjay – Part 2*.

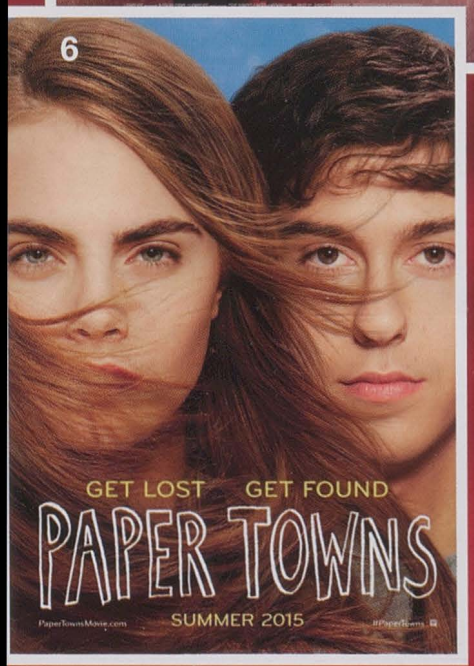
5. WINS IN THE WILDERNESS
The Revenant, a dark frontier drama starring Leonardo DiCaprio, wins numerous awards and a positive approval rating of 81% on Rotten Tomatoes.

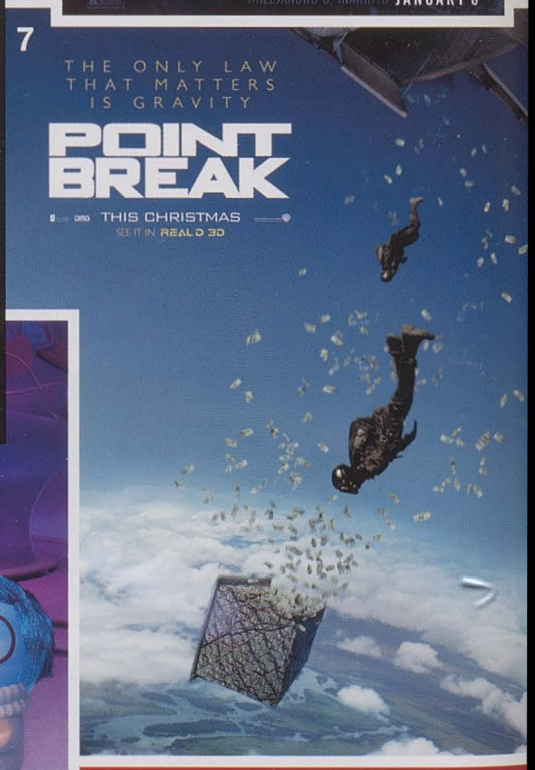
6. LOST AND FOUND
When Margo goes missing, Quentin skips school to find her in *Paper Towns*, the film adaptation of John Green's young adult novel.

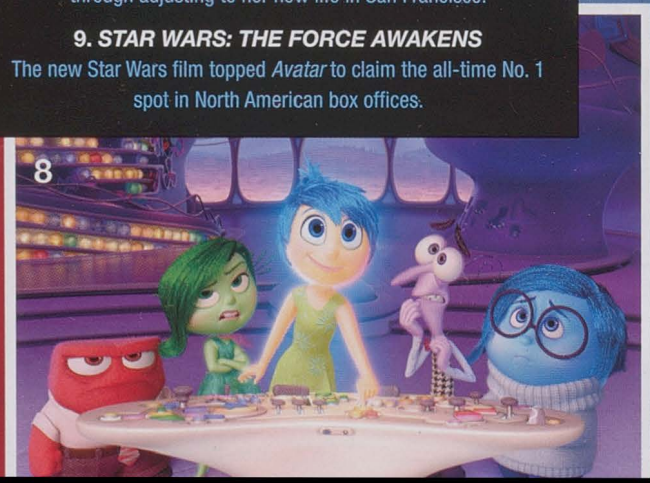
7. THE BREAKING POINT
Adventurers attempt to complete eight extreme ordeals in *Point Break*; the drama fails to win over critics but performs well at the box office.

8. *INSIDE OUT*
Riley's emotions are personified in the newest Disney Pixar box office hit. Joy, Fear, Anger, Disgust and Sadness guide Riley through adjusting to her new life in San Francisco.

9. *STAR WARS: THE FORCE AWAKENS*
The new Star Wars film topped *Avatar* to claim the all-time No. 1 spot in North American box offices.







TOP 10

AT THE BOX OFFICE IN 2015

1. *Star Wars: The Force Awakens*
2. *Jurassic World*
3. *Avengers: Age of Ultron*
4. *Inside Out*
5. *Furious 7*
6. *Minions*
7. *The Hunger Games – Part 2*
8. *The Martian*
9. *Cinderella* (2015)
10. *Spectre* (James Bond)

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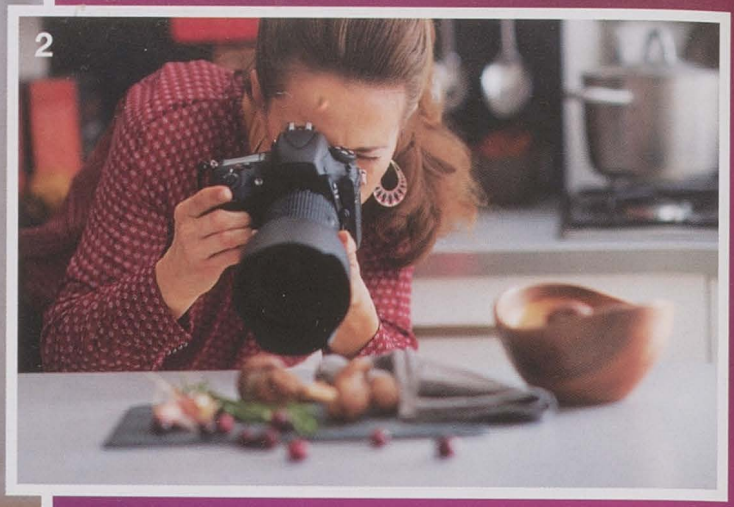


POP CULTURE

1. 3D PRINTING EVOLVES
Demand for 3D printers climbs as the technology advances to accommodate metals, electronics, pharmaceuticals and biological materials.

2. BLOGGERS MAKE BANK
The most successful fashion and beauty bloggers and vloggers on Instagram can make up to $500,000 per year by offering affiliate links and sponsored content.

3. CAITLYN'S COURAGE
Newly transitioned transgender celebrity Caitlyn Jenner accepts the Arthur Ashe Courage Award at the ESPY Awards.

4. MOST LIKED INSTAGRAM EVER
With more than 2.5 million likes, the image of model and reality TV star Kendall Jenner, with her hair arranged in heart shapes, is the most-liked Instagram photo ever.

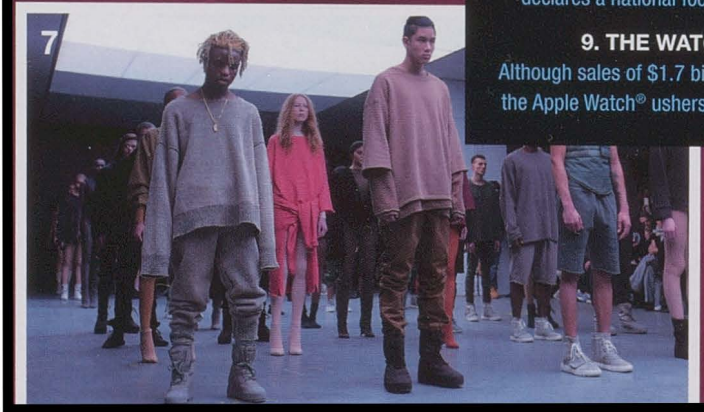
5. HEALTHY BUSINESS MODEL
With juice bar sales approaching $100 million a year, the cold-pressed juicing cleanse trend continues as busy, health-conscious consumers seek a shortcut to wellness.

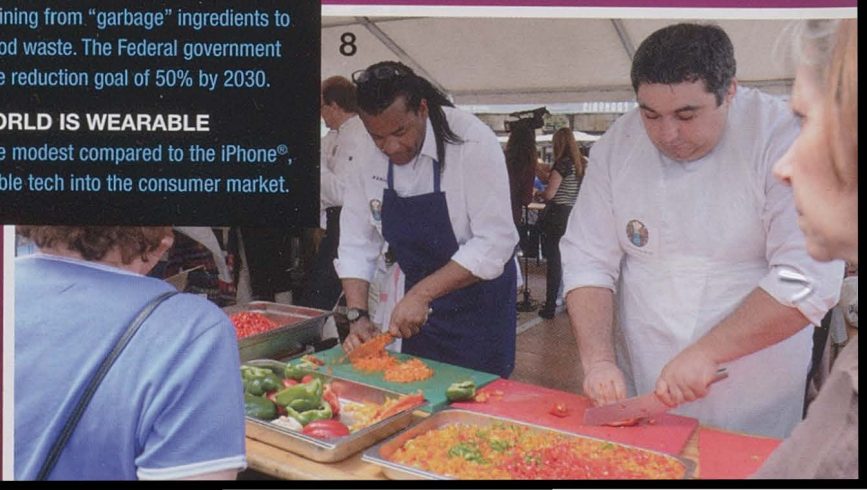
6. THE WORLD'S MOST POWERFUL WOMAN
Time magazine names Germany's Chancellor Angela Merkel its Person of the Year and describes her as "Chancellor of the Free World."

7. KANYE ON THE RUNWAY
Following the success of Kanye West's Yeezy fashion label seasons 1 and 2, he recently debuted his third season at New York Fashion Week.

8. WASTE NOT
A Manhattan chef creates fine dining from "garbage" ingredients to demonstrate how to prevent food waste. The Federal government declares a national food waste reduction goal of 50% by 2030.

9. THE WATCHWORLD IS WEARABLE
Although sales of $1.7 billion are modest compared to the iPhone®, the Apple Watch® ushers wearable tech into the consumer market.





TOP 10 GOOGLE SEARCHES OF 2015

1. Paris Under Attack
2. Adele's Year
3. Oscars 2015
4. Caitlyn Jenner
5. Election of 2016
6. Mayweather vs. Pacquiao
7. Black Lives Matter
8. Guns in America
9. Royals Win World Series
10. A New Era in Late Night TV

https://www.google.com/trends/story/2015_US

HEADLINES

1. SYRIAN CRISIS
Continuing civil war in Syria results in more than 11 million refugees; more than 220,000 have died since the conflict began.

2. SAME-SEX MARRIAGE
In a 5-4 decision, the Supreme Court rules that same-sex marriage is legal in all 50 states.

3. TERRORISTS ATTACK PARIS
ISIS terrorists launch coordinated attacks targeting a soccer stadium, a rock concert and several restaurants in the French capital; 130 people perish.

4. PRE-PRIMARY
Candidates for 2016 Presidential Election Hillary Clinton and Bernie Sanders battle to be the Democrats' nominee. Donald Trump and Ben Carson were early frontrunners in the GOP race.

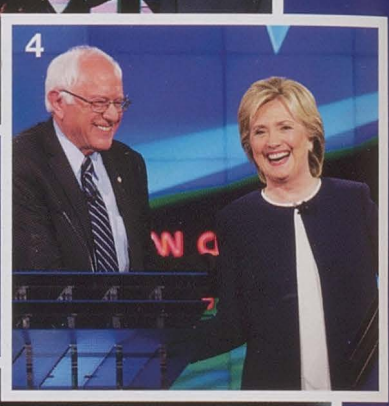
5. THE POPE COMES TO AMERICA
During his stay Pope Francis spoke to Congress, visited the White House, and dined with the homeless in Washington D.C.

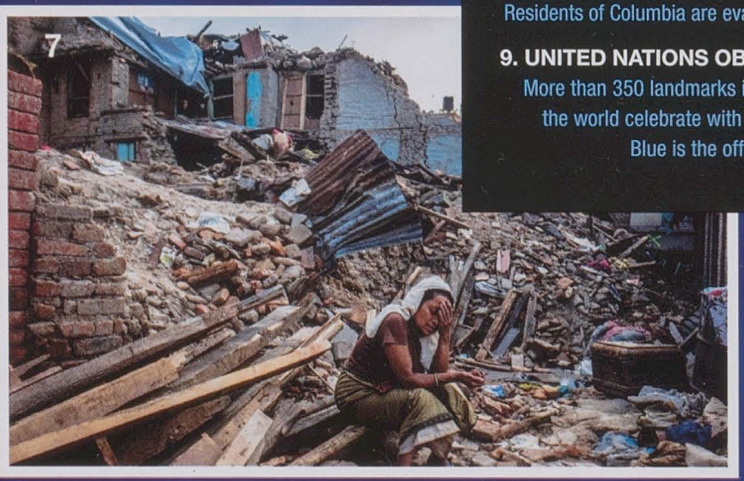
6. APPLE ADVANCES
The new iPhone® 6s features more durable aluminum construction, a rose gold color option, 3D Touch access to apps and a 12MP camera.

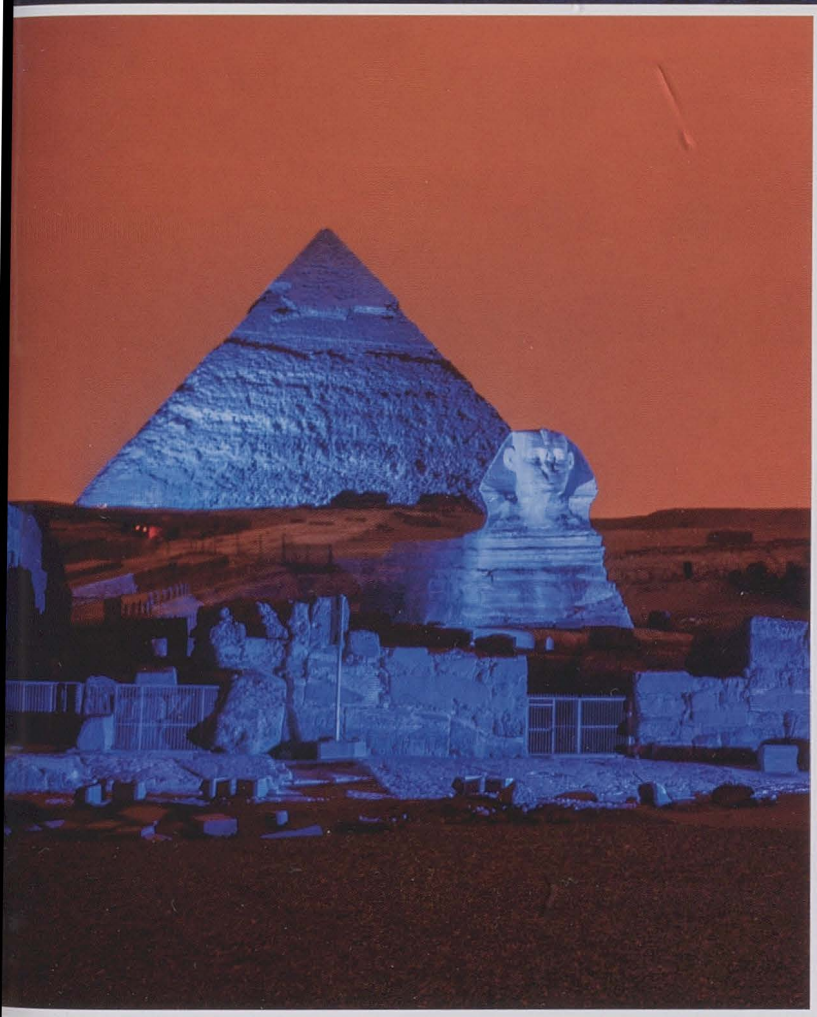
7. NEPAL EARTHQUAKE
A magnitude 7.8 earthquake in Nepal rocks villages, damages structures and kills at least 5,000.

8. SOUTH CAROLINA DELUGE
Record-breaking rainfall amounts of up to 24 inches cause catastrophic flooding in the central and eastern regions of the state. Residents of Columbia are evacuated as the Overcreek Dam fails.

9. UNITED NATIONS OBSERVE 70TH ANNIVERSARY
More than 350 landmarks in more than 80 countries around the world celebrate with brilliant displays of blue lights. Blue is the official color of the UN.







MOST POWERFUL PEOPLE

ACCORDING TO FORBES IN 2015

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1. Vladimir Putin, 63
2. Angela Merkel, 61
3. Barack Obama, 54
4. Pope Francis, 79
5. Xi Jingping, 62
6. Bill Gates, 60
7. Janet Yellen, 69
8. David Cameron, 49
9. Narendra Modi, 65
10. Larry Page, 42

TV/GAMING

1. *SCREAM QUEENS*
A serial killer called the Red Devil menaces the sorority sisters of Kappa Kappa Tau in the debut season of the Fox network's horror comedy.

2. *PRETTY LITTLE LIARS*
The Liars escape the dollhouse and secret identities are revealed in Season 6 of the ABC Family network drama.

3. *AMERICAN HORROR STORY: HOTEL*
Lady Gaga stars as The Countess in Season 5 of the FX horror series, set in a haunted Los Angeles hotel.

4. *ORANGE IS THE NEW BLACK*
Netflix commits to a fourth season of the binge-worthy drama series, set in a women's prison.

5. *AMERICA'S NEXT TOP MODEL: GUYS & GIRLS*
The judges choose Nyle DiMarco and Mamé Adjei as winners in Cycle 22 of the final season of the CW reality show.

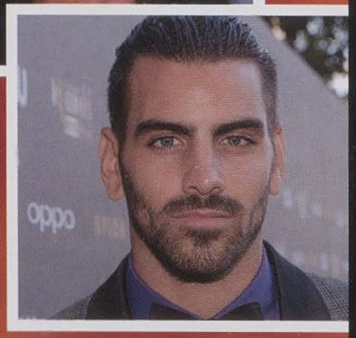
6. TOP-RANKED YOUTUBE GAMERS
With more than 10 billion video views, Swedish gamer PewDiePie tops the leaderboard of most popular YouTube channels.

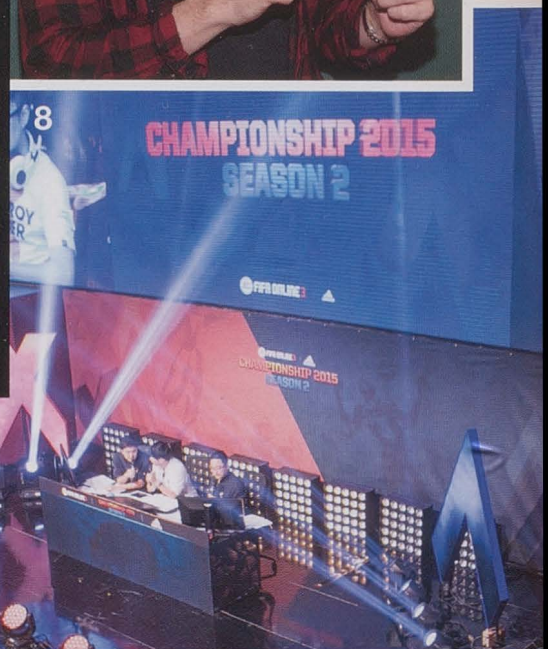
7. NEW GAME, NEW STAR
Rory McIlroy succeeds Tiger Woods as the new face of EA Sports' PGA Tour golf game.

8. eSPORTS ARE BRINGING IN BILLIONS
With larger audiences and bigger prize pools, eGaming tournaments rival traditional sports events.

9. ESPN LEADS IN ALL-TIME CABLE RATINGS
ESPN is the most-watched cable network, even during presidential debates and news stories; the network holds the record for the top 20 most-viewed programs in cable TV history.

10. CALL OF DUTY: BLACK OPS III
The first-person shooter is set in the year 2065 and features zombie storylines, robotic drones and a team of soldiers with cybernetic enhancements.





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STORE
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Party Privacy: Open
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BRANDS

1. LEGO IS LIFE

Life Lego was named Forbes Most Powerful Brand of 2015 after debuting their new *Lego Marvel's Avengers* and *Lego Jurassic World* toys.

TOP 10

MOST VALUABLE BRANDS IN 2015

1. Apple, $145.3 billion
2. Microsoft, $69.3 billion
3. Google, $65.6 billion
4. Coca-Cola, $56 billion
5. IBM, $49.8 billion
6. McDonald's, $39.5 billion
7. Samsung, $37.9 billion
8. Toyota, $37.8 billion
9. General Electric (GE), $37.5 billion
10. Facebook, $36.5 billion

http://www.forbes.com/pictures/mli45fdhfm/1-apple/

HOW TEENS SPEND MONEY

http://www.businessinsider.com/how-teens-are-spending-money-2015-4

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